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Kowloon, Dep.	6.40	8.05	8.30	9.15	10.00	10.10	1.15	2.31	3.20	4.30	5.40	7.25												
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Tai Po, Dep.	7.15	—	—	9.53	10.33	10.43	1.48	—	—	5.04	6.13	8.08												
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Shum Shue, Arr.	7.41	8.45	9.13	10.21	10.55	1.08	2.13	3.15	4.00	5.29	6.38	8.31												
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Shing Mun, Arr.	7.30	8.15	10.47	—	—	10.00	3.06	4.50	5.58	—	7.14													
Tai Po, Dep.	7.40	8.23	10.57	—	—	10.11	3.17	5.00	6.08	—	—													
Market, Dep.	7.44	8.31	11.01	—	—	10.16	3.23	5.04	6.13	—	—													
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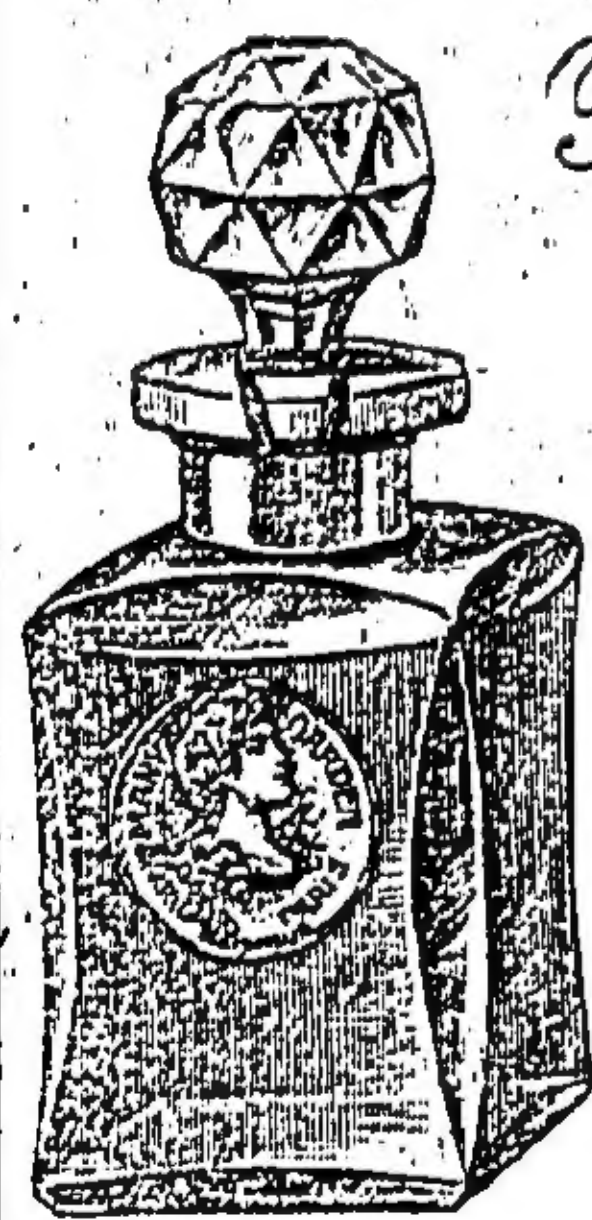
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GENERAL HERTZOG'S ELECTION PLEDGES.

SETTLEMENT OF NATIVE QUESTION AS CHIEF TASK.

"NATIONALISM A POLITICAL SICKNESS LIKE MEASLES."

[By WILLIAM O. FONE.]

CAPE TOWN.—General Hertzog has won the General Election and is back in office stronger than before. General Smuts has been beaten and Labour has been eclipsed.

If he had wished General Hertzog could have carried on without again entering into a coalition with the remnant of Labour, for the country provided him with an over-all majority of eight in the House of Assembly.

He has preferred the way of safety. His new Cabinet includes two Labour ministers—two ministers out of the eight Labour men returned for the whole country.

Unexpected Victory.

General Hertzog himself has admitted that the Nationalist victory "exceeded all expectations." The question the country is asking now that it has had a week to survey the whole position is what will he do now that he has been given another five years lease of life?

The chief issue of the elections was of course the native question. It is quite clear that the towns rejected his proposals. It is equally clear that the country districts swallowed the whole "black menace" argument and voted solidly nationalist.

In this country the point of view changes when a man moves from town to country or vice versa. In the town there are all the amenities of modern civilisation. In the country and particularly on the farms the white man and his family are surrounded by natives. It is this man who is willingly accepted General Hertzog's declaration that unless the black man is checked the end of white civilisation is not far distant.

A Clear Mandate.
If General Hertzog lives up to his election pledges he will immediately deal with the matter despite the fact that even when he has "formed" the Senate and helped himself to majority of twelve in that House he will have nothing like the necessary two thirds majority of both houses to alter the constitution dealing with the native vote. That he will "deal" with the matter "in some way there is little doubt for the Government organ *Die Burger* has declared that "the mandate was clear."

"The new Hertzog government," it has stated, "will regard the settlement of the native question as its chief task in the immediate future. Even before the election General Hertzog declared that he would go on with it and that if Parliament persisted during the next five years in postponing a settlement he would in five years time ask the country for a two-thirds majority and get it."

Signs have not been wanting even within a week of the declaration of the white nation's verdict that the native will not willingly accept it. Riots indirectly connected with the matter have occurred in Durban where after fierce street fighting one European and five natives were killed and hundreds injured. In Cape Town native (possibly not too responsible) have declared that "rebellion is the only method" left to the black man.

Difficult Years Ahead.

Too much importance must not be attached to these happenings. None the less they show a tendency—the way in which the native is thinking, and whether or not Communist influences are at work it is not a pleasant outlook for a peaceful and

quiet settlement of "the nation's most pressing problem."

General Smuts has declared that nationalism is a political sickness which like measles must run its course. *One Land*, a Dutch paper of South African Party complexion has added that General Smuts and his party are not contesting what is national in the Nationalist Party but are fighting those things which can be included under the "ist."

The country has before it an extremely difficult few years if the Prime Minister insists upon carrying out a policy against which practically half the nation voted at the polls.

Following Baldwin's Lead.

Dr. Malan the Minister of the Interior in his first speech since his re-election has suggested a method by which that policy may be made effective.

"It will not be long," he said, "in Cape Town immediately after his arrival, 'before women have the vote. If there is one thing clear to-day then it is that the great native question cannot be solved except with the active assistance of the women at the polls."

If the women get the franchise there is no doubt that we shall finally solve that great and pressing problem for what is practically impossible for the men to do alone is quite possible of the women join with the men."

This presumably means that it is the Government's intention to use the women's vote to secure the necessary two-thirds majority. It is already being pointed out here that Mr. Stanley Baldwin also added a huge number of women voters to the roll in order to save his government and that history might repeat itself in South Africa.

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One of the most interesting of this
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WOMAN'S PAGE.

MOIRE

AN OLD FAVOURITE RETURNS
TO THE FAVOURS OF
MADAME LA MODE.

The last few seasons have seen
many materials which had been de-
finitely "out" for a long time,
return to favour. The latest of
these is *moiré* which, however, never
quite disappeared. *Moiré* was fe-
vived a couple of winter's ago, when
picture frocks first made their ap-
pearance but it was quickly ousted
by *faille*. Now it has come back
strongly both for afternoon and
evening wear, and is immensely
suitable to the graceful yet rather
severe style of the latest fashions.

The new *moiré* has a satin back
and in consequence drapes softly
and beautifully. If you want to see
how lovely and gracious a material
it can be have a look at the new
collection being shown just now
at Lane's Crawford's.

One evening frock in poppy red
moiré has jewelled shoulder straps
set with the large stones now so
much in vogue, a gorgeous fashion
which is well set off by the rich
"good" look of the material and
the somewhat severe lines on which
the dress is cut. The skirt has need-
less to say the fashionable uneven
hem line.

Lemon *moiré* is used for an even-
ing model with a tulle yoke and
trimmed with a large and lovely
spray of flowers on one shoulder.

For afternoon wear there is a
black *moiré* ensemble, the long coat
being fur trimmed at neck and hem.
The dress has a closely pleated skirt
and a delightful *mélange* of colour
is introduced in the bodice. A
jumper suit of the same material
has a flared skirt with the new
gadget, while the jumper is smartly
buttoned down the back, and shows
a flare at the hips.



Smart dress in two colours of
crêpe de chine or *georgette*.
The evening and skirt are rose
and trimming is of night blue.

"CUSHIONED EASE."

"Cushioned ease" is a well worn
phrase to express luxury and com-
fort, but it is as expressive to-day
as when first coined, possibly even
more so for our age is essentially
one of comfort which we do not re-
gard, as our grand parents did, as
a vice.

And so to cushions. Will you
come with me to the furnishing
department of Whiteaway, Laid-
law's and look some over! There
are piles and piles of them for
Whiteaway's make a speciality of
cushions. Some are covered in rich
silks and are very soft and downy.
Others firmer and less fragile are
covered in cretonne, others again in
rep or cement cloth. The shapes
vary as much as the coverings, for
they are designed for a variety of
purposes. There are round, square,
(Continued at foot of next column).

SOME MONTHS OF SUMMER.

Though September is here there
are still some months of pleasant
summer weather before us. Some
women, tired of the lighter mode,
are already thinking in terms of
sports suits and tailor made and
longing for the first day which will
be cool enough to wear one. But
others, whom I think are wiser,
look upon these early autumn
months which are so warm in Hong
Kong, as the time when they can
look their most lovely in summer
frocks. When they can wear them
with the grace and distinction which
is the heritage of English women,
untroubled by the heat.

There are women who undeniably
look their best in winter clothes,
but it is pretty safe to say, despite
the adage that *il faut souffrir pour
être belle*, most of us look our best
in the clothes in which we feel most
comfortable, and unless you are
among the few who can feel and
look cool in any temperature, you
will be wisest if you put off for a
while wearing any really autumn
clothes, however, aggravating it may
be to feel that some thousand miles
of sea have put you a season behind
your friends in London or Paris.

Moreover, there is a difference
between the early and late summer
fashions, and in general it is the
latter which accord most nearly to
the choice of smart women at home
who do not have to face a really
hot season. Pamela is now show-
ing a collection of such frocks,
many of them sleeved models with
smart close fitting necks which
would have been impossible but a
few weeks ago. There are washing
frocks for morning wear, and
ninons and heavy silks for after-
noon, which are well worth seeing.

Chiffon and Felt.

Eve is now showing some most
attractive little frocks for after-
noon and evening wear of
chiffon. They are like all *Eve's*
goods selected by a clever buyer
who knows our best conditions,
and has a flair for what is smart.
The prices are very reasonable.
There is also a delightful col-
lection of new autumn felt mil-
linery, in a good variety of
styles. It is a point to remem-
ber that *Eve* generally has a
certain number of hats with
large head sizes for the unshing-
led.

THE RIGHT HAT.

How often do we not wonder
which is the right hat—the right hat
to buy in a shop full of attractive
models, or the right hat to wear
on any particular occasion? There is
one safe rule often overlooked. The
right hat is the hat which brings
out the fullest expression of your
beauty, and it is not necessarily of
the colour or shape which is most
fashionable at the moment, though
unless you are very lovely or very
rich you must conform roughly to
the prevailing mode. So when you
go next to the Dolly Vardon Hat
Shop to choose a hat choose one
which makes you say to yourself
"I did not know I was so pretty."
You will have not much trouble in
doing so because the Dolly Vardon
Hats are hand made, and designed
not for a vague "average" face,
but for very different types of wear-
ers. If you will have patience and
try on a dozen you will find one
which was specially for your type.

The same rule applies, though,
of course, to a lesser degree, when
you are choosing which of your hats
to wear for a particular occasion.
They probably all suit you for you
have selected them carefully but
some days one or two will seem to
suit you better than others. If you
must wear a particular frock or
coat choose the hat in which you
look prettiest that day. I am taking
it for granted that you have a
good ensemble wardrobe which
means your clothes are to a certain
extent interchangeable, let that be
your first consideration, the suit-
ability of the fabric of the hat
second.

bolster, and triangular sofa pillows,
large and small cushions covered
in stronger material for "every-
day" use, and particularly attrac-
tive small bolsters to tuck under the
neck when lying in a deck chair.

One cannot have too many
cushions in these days for the
chair, the car, and the motor, and
those of Whiteaway's have a
great advantage in being low priced,
practical and attractive.

THE BOYS' FESTIVAL IN JAPAN.

BEAUTIFUL BRONZE ON
VIEW.

In no other country is so much
stress laid on fostering chivalrous
ideals among boys as in Japan.
Like all Oriental countries, the
birth of a boy is celebrated as great
good fortune. The parents are
warmly congratulated, and presents
brought to them by their friends,
and wishes expressed that the boy
may grow up to become a great
soldier and defender of his Emperor
and his country.

The spring brings the "Boys'
Festival," when tall bamboo poles
are put up in front of the house,
with big paper fishes in all colours
flying from them; for as many boys
as there are in the house, so many
fishes are hoisted up. The lads are
presented with toy swords, armour



*Of crêpe de chine printed with
large circles in black and white.
This dress is trimmed with an
interesting waistcoat of white
tulle.*

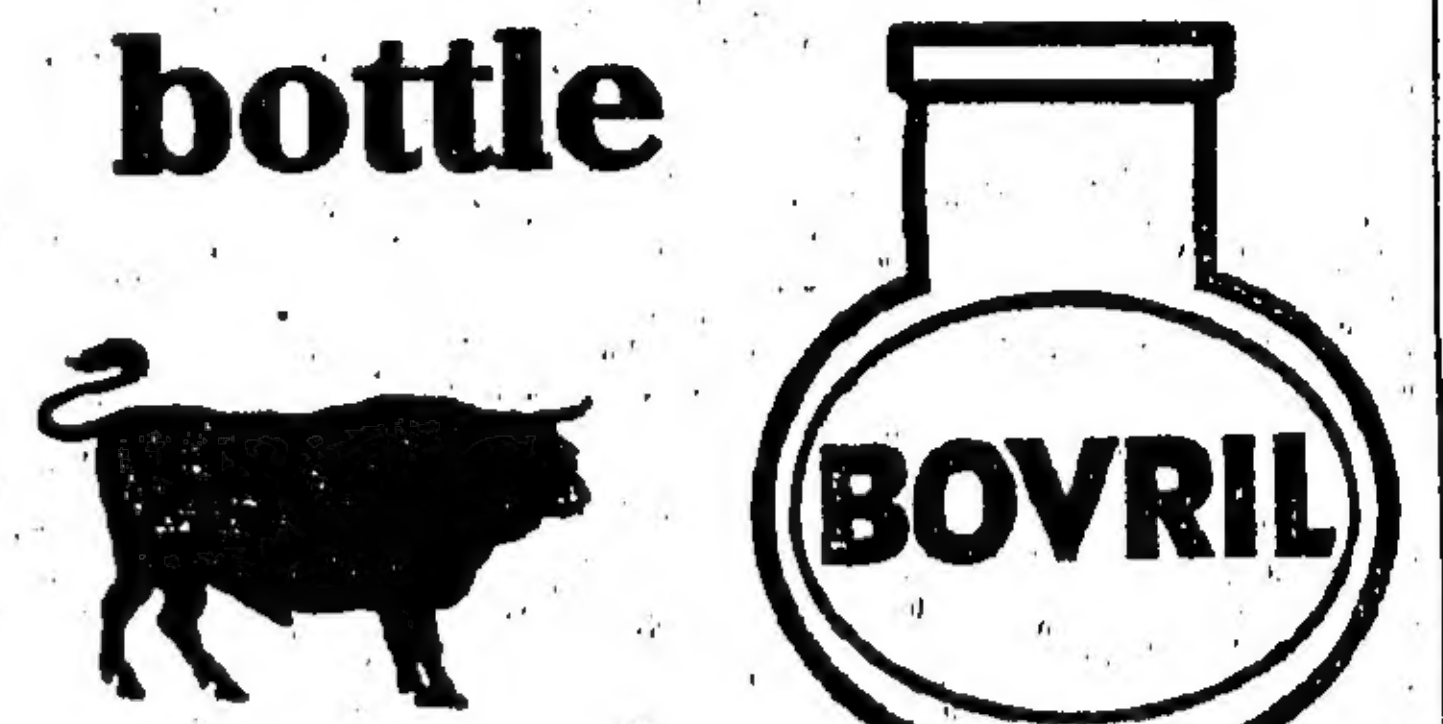
or helmets, and in the best room of
the house a table is set up with
dolls representing the great heroes
of Japan, the parents telling the
children stories of the Samurai who
have died for the Emperor and for
Japan.

The doll-makers make groups of
plaster, paper, silk, or bronze, re-
presenting the great Daimyo, and
the children say their prayers be-
fore these groups, asking the gods
to make them as brave and strong
as the famous Daimyo were.

Parents purchase the best groups
they can afford, and dolls made of
silver and even gold are made, and
remain in the family as heirlooms.

The greatest artists of the old
days took a pride in modelling
these figures, but the most difficult
task was to make a group in bronze.
Only very rarely is a bronze group
found on the market, and a very
fine specimen is to be seen in Komor
and Komor's window this week.
These are two large bronze trees
with fighting Samurai, and four
single figures, the whole represent-
ing a rare specimen of the work of
Suzuki Gensuki, one of the greatest
artists of Japan, who died in Tokyo
in 1823. The set now to be seen
in Hong Kong is one of the only
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sword is shown in this group and
the attitudes of the great warriors
in the group, shows the Daimyo
skillfully handling their swords,
inducing the boys to continue prac-
ticing fencing and all the other
many arts of Old Japan. This
beautiful work of art is shortly to
be packed, having been already
purchased by an admirer of these
beautiful old bronzes.

Messrs. Komor have many other
fine specimens of Japanese art in
their store. There is a very beauti-
ful cloisonné lacquer cabinet (also
sold) by Ezuzaki, which is one of the
finest examples of lacquer work ever
brought to the Colony. The inlaid
cloisonné panels are exquisitely
worked, and make a striking con-
trast to the nashiji gold lacquer of
the body of the cabinet. It is a
specimen of Japanese art that to see
is to envy the possessor.
A beautiful pair of Tawkan blue
and white vases also attract the
attention of every visitor. Elaborate
pictures of old-style hunting scenes
figure on these two handsome pieces,
which are also rare examples of the
ceramic art.

The last consignment of carpets
received by Whiteaway, Laidlaw's
has been sold out in the course of
a few weeks, but there still remain
some very pleasing reversible rugs,
all wool, of British manufacture,
and I hear that more carpets are
coming.

WOMAN'S PAGE.

SHOULD WOMEN KEEP THEIR LOVE LETTERS?

(By BETTY ASHMORE.)

Many different things have been written about the so-called "modern girl" both in praise and disparagement. She has been called practical and efficient, or hard and unfeminine according to the writer's personal opinion.

Some people dislike her, while others find her charming. But upon one point everybody appears to be agreed. She is incurably unsentimental.

Now I do wonder who first started this extraordinary idea, and why? And, above all, on what grounds?

I know a good many modern girls and I say without hesitation that they are just as sentimental, no more and no less, as their grandmothers a hundred years ago.

The only difference is that instead of parading their soft-heartedness as a womanly virtue, as young women did in the time of Jane Austen, the girls of to-day hide it, deny it, and are heartily ashamed of it. They might just as well be ashamed of their own noses and try to conceal them!

The Feminine Way.

Because just so long as the world lasts women will fall in love. And, when they are in the throes of that much-advertised state of bliss they will be sentimental. Even so.

And a very good thing too, because nothing in the world gives them such a warm, comfortable feeling. It ranks with a good cry—another feminine habit the modern girl is supposed to deny herself!

This fact was brought home to me very strongly the other day when I went to see a friend of mine who is a model of what a modern girl should be according to all the popular standards. She swims, rides, plays games, drives a racing car at a shattering speed, and so on.

Testimonials to Her Charm.

But when I unexpectedly walked into her room I did not find her mending the wireless, or polishing her favourite golf club—nothing like that—she was lying up bundles of love-letters! Needless to say, she behaved as if I had surprised her in the act of poisoning her mother or stealing a diamond necklace!

Well I, for one, think she was absolutely right to hoard these few testimonials to her charm and beauty.

After all, men load their sideboards and line their walls with silver cups, and "ears, and groups of cricket eleven, and examination certificates, with the object of impressing their friends and cheering themselves up in old age—so why shouldn't women keep a few trophies, too?

At any rate it is a harmless form of fun and less annoying to their relations than the stacks of silver objects which clutter the house, and are of no use and little beauty.

When this friend of mine is very old and looks for happiness in the past—as old people do, having no future—she will be able to untie her bundles of letters—rather pathetically yellowed with time—and relive the days of her girlhood.

She will remember with pleasant surprise that her white hair was once "the colour of pale gold" and her eyes—now so dim and tired—"like the sea in Cornwall."

Links With Happiness.

And she will be far happier than other old ladies who have forgotten their youth and have no means of remembering it.

I know perfectly well that we are always taught not to keep any letters at all—the danger and stupidity of such a procedure has been persistently drilled into us from childhood; but in Heaven's name—why?

Granted that you are not a murderer, or a forger, or a bigamist, I can see no conceivable reason to destroy all the most vivid and lasting links with youth and happiness.

Just as the silver atrocity on his dining-room table will remind an old man of some triumphal progress on his favourite golf course, so will a bundle of faded letters bring back to a woman familiar scenes and beloved faces—in fact, the best years of her life.

So can you blame her for keeping them, even if she is a modern girl, and so much pretend it is the last thing on earth she would be guilty of doing?

A NOVEL QUESTIONNAIRE.

YOUR WIFE.

Has your wife made you the happiest man in the world, Sir? Did you ever think she would? Has she made you as happy as any of the other half-dozen girls would that you could have married? Have you ever told your wife about those other girls you could have married?

What did she say? Did she ask you why you didn't marry them? Why didn't you? Are you sorry you didn't?

If your wife economical? Well, how much money does she waste in a week? How much money can you afford to let her waste? If you were the house-keeper could you run the house more economically? How much more economically? Why don't you run it then?

How often does your wife say she wants a new hat? How often does she get one? How often do you get one? Have you pointed this difference out to your wife?

Has your wife many friends? Does she ever meet any of them when she goes out shopping in the afternoon? Are those the evenings on which your dinner is badly cooked? Then what do you think of your wife's friends?

Have you voiced this opinion to your wife? What did she say? Did she tell you what friends think of you? What do her friends think of you?

Has your wife any relatives? Did you know this when you married her? Why were so many of your wife's relatives kept in the background till after marriage? Are they the kind of relatives that should be kept in the background for ever? Why? Do they visit you? Do they repay your hospitality by sending you Christmas presents? Do you wear them?

DO WOMEN DRESS JUST TO ATTRACT MEN?

(By JANE GORDAN.)

There are several good reasons why we should dress as well as our figures and incomes let us.

We naturally want to look our best always to satisfy our own insatiable taste, and sometimes to cause envy in other women.

Shall we admit though, strictly between ourselves, that we also take trouble with our clothes and personal appearance partly to arouse admiration in the eyes of men?

If this is true, then it would be wise to study men's opinions of women's clothes. We are not usually inclined to take much notice of their theories on the subject.

When men admire our clothes we consider it a very personal compliment, because we know that they are technically ignorant about dress. If a man indicates that he dislikes what we are wearing, we simply explain "That is the fashion."

It is, however, well to remember that men have certain very definite ideas with regard to women's clothes.

For instance: they like the woman they are entertaining, and spending money on to be elaborately dressed and well sprinkled with jewels, in fact the more striking her appearance, as long as she is a smart woman, the better they like it.

This does not by any manner of means hold good with the girl they love, her clothes are admired most when they are charmingly feminine.

Generally speaking, men expect their mothers to be dressed in nondescript black garments and their sisters to wear strictly conventional clothes. As our brothers' opinions on clothes count for less than nothing, we can afford to forget them at once.

The effect of our personal appearance on other men, however, counts a great deal to most of us, so it is well worth while taking an intelligent interest in this.

Women, in these days, are apt to pay too much attention to fashion; the whole art of dressing well is to adapt the season's fashions to suit your individual style and character.

It is foolish to buy a dress or coat simply because it is being worn this season, and hundreds of other women have bought exactly the same model.

The trailing flounces and circular capes in chiffon both printed and plain are very becoming to thin women.

The long princess silhouette with a circular flounce on the skirt that dips at the back makes short women look ever so much taller, while bolero-bodices, floating panels cut in one with skirts or bodices lend the plump woman an impression of slimmness.

On the whole women are much more attracted by pattern materials than men.

Have you noticed that men as a rule do not admire dresses of pattern? (Continued on next column.)

YOUR HUSBAND.

Is your husband a model husband, Madam? Did you expect him to be? What is a model husband? Is Mr. Brown down the road a model husband? Is that why you are always holding him up as an example for your husband?

Are you aware that Mrs. Brown holds up your husband as a model for Mr. Brown? Can you explain this?

Has your husband got a good income? Well, why hasn't he? Have you told him that? Do husbands understand what a good income means? What does a good income mean? Have you tried to explain to your husband what it means? Have you succeeded?

What does a good income mean to you? How many more new coats, hats, and dresses?

How often is your husband delayed on his way home in the evening? What delays him? Are those evenings on which he late the very evenings that you have a lovely little dinner ready for him?

Isn't this an extraordinary coincidence? Do you take care to point out to your husband how extraordinary it is? What does he say? Are you a bad cook?

Is your husband sometimes compelled to work late at the office? Does he ever have to work late at the office during the visits of female relatives of yours? During spring-cleaning operations? When baby is teething? Does this suggest anything to you? What?

Do you expect your husband to tell you "that you're growing younger and prettier every year? Does he? Would you believe him if he did? Do you believe much of what he tells you? How much?



Fine handkerchief linen in a deep rose colour is used for this dress with its frilled vest and cuffs of white muslin.

turned materials? Nor do they admire superlatively smart dresses, any more than they admire very clever women. They really love both women and their clothes to be simply pretty and appealing.

Every summer batches of smart and amusing American girls arrive in London for the season. These girls go to dances, and country house parties, they pay flying visits to Oxford and Cambridge during "Eights" and May Week, they "do" Ascot, Wimbledon, Lord's and Goodwood, they have mild flirtations with young Englishmen, and return to their homes in New York or Long Island in September, when they are more or less forgotten by their English friends.

There was one season, however, when a girl arrived in London from Richmond, Virginia. She was a real Southern girl, with large blue eyes and a lazy drawl. She took her admirers very seriously and had a conscience.

She wore home-made organdie evening dresses; blue organdie with ruffles, and pink organdie with frills. When she returned to Virginia she held the record for broken hearts left behind in this country.

Which seems to prove that there is a great shortage of ingenues in these days.

WOMAN FOUND DEAD.

BODY IN HOSPITAL COMPOUND.
CORONER'S DECISION RESERVED.

SINGAPORE, Aug. 28.

The death of a Cantonese woman aged 23 years whose body was picked up in the grounds of the General Hospital during the early hours of August 12 was the subject of an inquiry, which was concluded by Mr. F. G. Bourne, the Singapore Coroner, yesterday afternoon.

The woman, who was described as the mistress of a Chinese butcher, was found lying on the five-foot-way of her husband's house suffering from poisoning and was removed to the General Hospital by the police for treatment on August 6.

Escape From Hospital.

An Indian police constable who was detailed for duty at the hospital on the night of the woman's escape and subsequent death was charged in another court with negligently allowing a prisoner to escape from legal custody. He claims trial and was remanded on bail of \$200.

In the course of the inquiry evidence showed that the deceased was drunk and had taken caustic soda in mistake for sugar water at a provision store.

Medical evidence given by an Assistant Surgeon at the General Hospital showed that deceased was brought in at 9 a.m. on August 6. She refused to say anything, but was said to have taken poison. Later it was discovered that she had taken caustic soda and was accordingly treated for this.

At about 1.30 a.m. on the 12th, witness was on duty and was informed by the sister-in-charge of the ward that the patient had absconded. The police were informed at once and at 2 a.m. she was found dead about 200 yards from the female ward. When found the body was still warm. There were no marks of violence.

Lying on Pavement.

A postmortem examination was held and the cause of death found to be corrosive poisoning. The patient was not fit to be walking about and should not have left the room. All necessary conveniences were provided in the ward itself. In the opinion of witness, she would have died in any case in a day or two.

A Cantonese butcher of 66, Tan-jong Pagar Road said that the deceased was his mistress and owing to her condition he had advised her not to go to work. Witness was married, having a wife with whom the deceased was on good terms. This deceased eventually moved to Hong Kong Street, but witness saw her every morning at Temple Street selling bean cake.

On the day she became ill, an employee told witness that his mistress was lying on the five-foot-way. Witness saw her and thought she was drunk. She was removed to hospital by the police. Witness visited her in hospital and on questioning her was told that she was drunk at the time and had gone to a provision store to get some sugar water, but had been given caustic soda by mistake.

Saw Constable Asleep.

An Indian police constable attached to Sepoy Lines police station said he was on duty on the ground floor of the female block at 10 p.m. on August 11. Earlier the same day he was similarly employed between 12.30 p.m. and 2 p.m. The nurse had pointed out the deceased to witness and ordered him to keep a watch on her.

At 1.20 a.m. on the following morning the deceased woke up and went to a building and after a few minutes he looked for her and found that she had disappeared. The nurse was not there and witness could not report the incident until her return.

Nurse Lily Fegen next said that on the night in question she was on duty with two wards to attend. The deceased was in a room together with another patient on the ground floor. At 12.30 a.m. when she visited the room she saw the constable asleep in a chair.

Witness woke him up and told him to watch the woman as she (witness) was going for some food. On returning at about 1.30 a.m. the constable told her that the woman had disappeared. She assisted in the subsequent search which led to the discovery of the patient lying dead on the grass outside.

Nurse Vivian Smith corroborated this evidence.

The Coroner reserved his decision.

"SHOW PEOPLE."

WILLIAM HAINES IN A NEW ROLE.

In "Show People," now showing at the Queen's Theatre, William Haines is seen in a new role.

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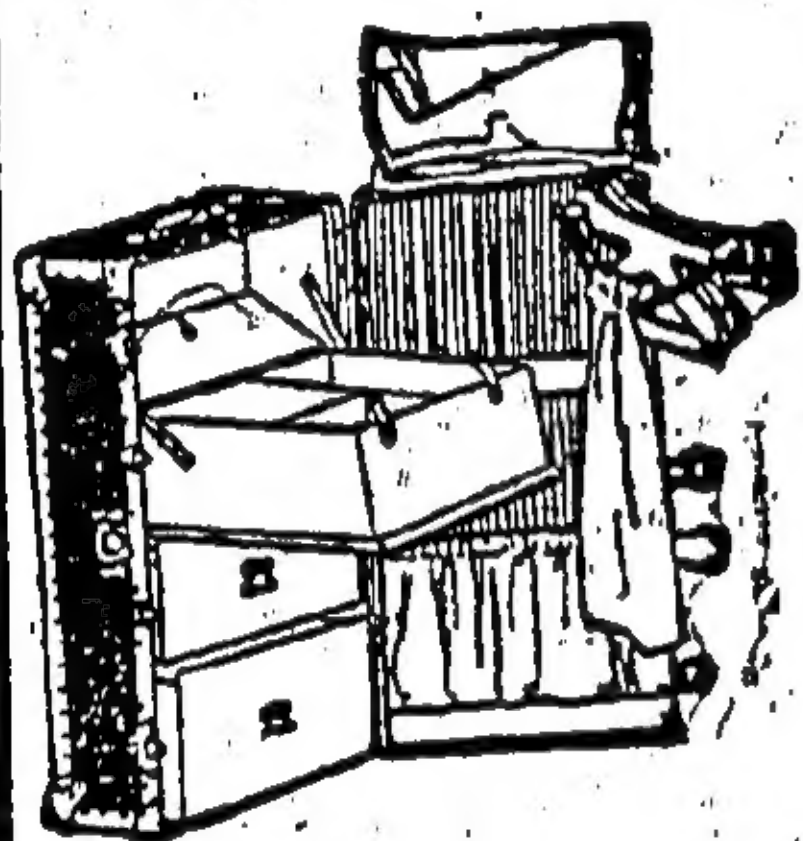
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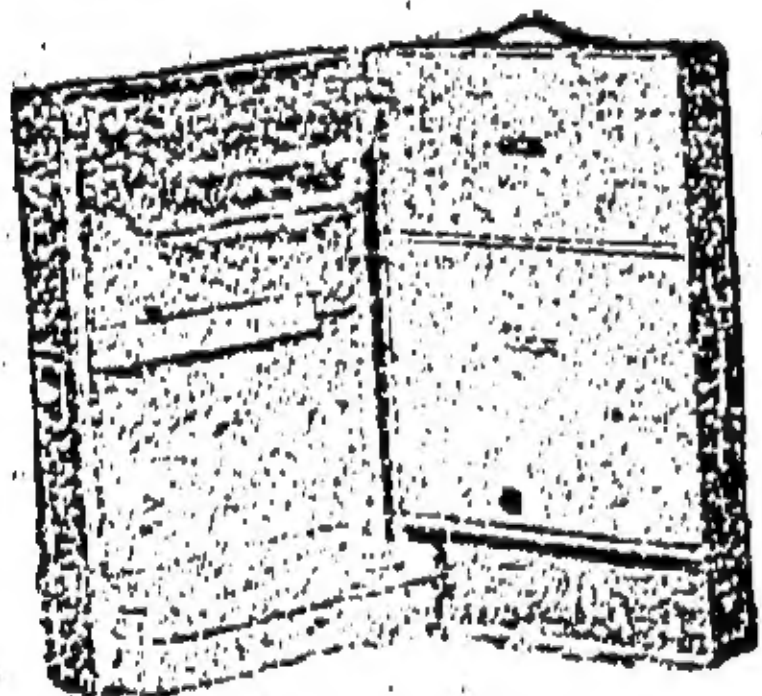
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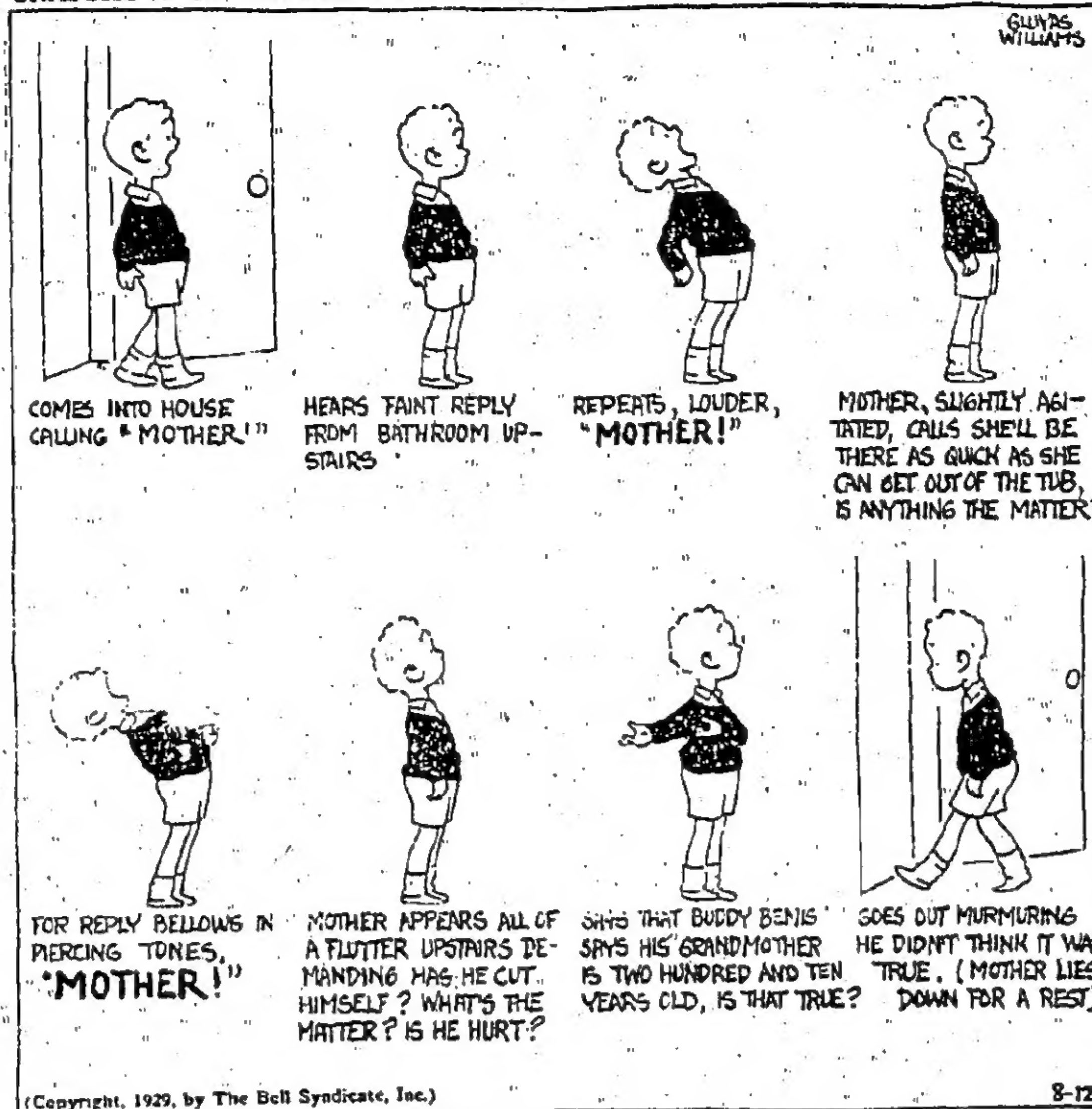
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SNAPSHOTS OF A SMALL BOY PACING HIS MOTHER

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THE BUDGET.

COLONIAL SECRETARY EXPLAINS FORWARD POLICY.

ARREARS OF LEAN YEARS TO BE OVERTAKEN.

STATISTICAL BUREAU TO BE REVIVED.

The Colonial Secretary (the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G.) in introducing the Budget at yesterday's Legislative Council meeting said that there were big increases of expenditure all round and that a further loan would be raised to meet expenses.

The Government's duty was to overtake the arrears of the past few years, when economy was essential, and improvements especially in social and medical services were necessary. Air Services, the Kowloon-Canton Railway, and the Harbour all needed substantial sums.

Reasonably Optimistic View of the Future.

The Colonial Secretary (the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G.) said:

By Your Excellency's command I rise to move the first reading of a Bill intitled "An Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding twenty million and thirty-eight thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine dollars to the public service of the year 1930."

On Your Excellency's instructions the Hon. Treasurer has prepared a memorandum on the financial position of the Colony which includes a review of the revenue for 1929, a revised estimate of revenue for the present year, an estimate of revenue for next year, and a forecast of the position as he foresees it at the beginning of the next financial year. The Government expects the present year's revenue to be slightly less than the expenditure with an estimated deficit of \$379,393, and it anticipates a total surplus balance at the end of 1929 of \$7,712,265 of which \$6,224,977 is expected to be liquid and available for expenditure. The revenue for next year has been estimated at \$22,712,920, nearly the same figure as our revised estimate for the current year, and with our estimated liquid balance of \$6,224,977 will give a total sum of \$28,937,897 to meet the needs of the Colony during the year 1930. It will be seen that we take a reasonably optimistic view of the future revenue and financial position of the Colony, and I think the Colony is to be congratulated on having surmounted what was probably the most serious water famine in its history without a heavier strain on its finances. I should like to take this opportunity of placing on record in this Council the Government's very high appreciation of the services rendered alike by Unofficial members of the Community and by its own Government officers whereby the Colony was enabled to surmount a very serious crisis.

Special Expenditure Met by Loan Funds.

The surplus balances may seem high but we must not flatter ourselves too much on this apparently pleasing feature of our finances for it has to be remembered that the balances have had restored to them just under two million dollars which had been advanced on loan works while heavy special expenditure on water works, harbour dredging and the Kai Tak aerodrome, works which, in former days would have

been met from revenue or surplus balances, has been charged to loan funds to an amount already exceeding the full amount of our recent \$5,000,000 loan.

A Further Loan.

As was foreshadowed when the Budget was introduced last year, the remaining \$2,000,000 of the public works (1927) loan was raised in November last and the money was obtained on slightly more favourable terms than on the previous occasion. But as Hon. Members will have observed from the resolutions already put before them to-day the existing loan funds are more than fully allocated and the urgent necessity for increasing our water supply will compel the Government to raise a further loan in the near future. We are now again in the position of advancing money from surplus balances on loan works the cost of which is to be recovered from a future loan and we have formed our Budget on the supposition that a further loan will, subject to the approval of the Secretary of State, be raised at a suitable opportunity next year, that our surplus balances will be relieved during next year of all liability for loan works, and that the full amount of our liquid balances will be available for other local needs of an urgent or less spectacular character. The loan works are set out in the Appendices to the draft Estimates of Expenditure and the water works have been made the special subject of Your Excellency's address this afternoon.

Increases All Round.

I come then, Sir, to the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1930. Hon. Members will see that the total expenditure is estimated at \$27,998,515 of which \$1,787,630 is required for Public Works Recurrent and \$3,840,750 for Public Works Extraordinary, while I need hardly remind Hon. Members that the Bill now before them, in which the total expenditure is given as \$22,038,879 does not include the sums of \$3,805,500 for Military Contribution and \$1,344,78 for Public Debt Charges though these items are included in the printed Estimates of Expenditure.

There are increases under nearly every head and in explanation of this I would observe that for the last few years owing to the necessity for severe economy departments have been working on a very narrow margin as regards personnel and normal recurrent expenditure. Though the Colony has since 1925 been passing through very difficult times the necessary activities and

consequently the necessary expenditure of the Government have shown a tendency to increase as the Government accepts more and more responsibility for the health, sanitation, education, development and protection of the Colony and its inhabitants. This increase is inevitable unless the Colony is content to stagnate and to recede from its proud position as one of the most progressive and up to date Colonies of the British Empire, and the increase is reflected largely in the Personal Emolument votes as the activities involve increases in the supervising, clerical and subordinate staffs.

How long we can continue to finance this increase without recourse to increased taxation it is impossible to foretell; we are fortunate to be able to carry on for the present with no increase in our present comparatively light burden of taxation but it must not be forgotten that improvements cannot be had without the money to pay for them. I might add that part of the increase in the dollar expenditure is explained by the fact that sterling expenditure other than salaries has been converted into dollars at 1/10d. instead of at 1/11d. as in the estimates for 1929.

Public Works Extraordinary.

Hon. Members will notice that in spite of the increase in the total estimated expenditure there is an increase of only \$421,145 in that very popular vote Public Works Extraordinary to which members of the public are inclined to turn first to see whether their own favourite schemes have been included. It might have been expected that with so large an expenditure there would be a large increase in expenditure on Public Works of the kind included under the heading of Public Works Extraordinary but, Sir, funds did not permit of this popular move. The Government, however, has not been content to adopt a waiting policy. The revenue has shown a remarkable stability throughout the recent difficult years and the Government has every confidence that the revenue will be maintained or even increased in future years provided no fresh political upheaval still further distracts our great but still sorely distracted neighbour the Republic of China.

A Forward Policy.

The Government, therefore, has adopted a forward policy in its Budget for 1930, but it is a forward policy in services rather than in material works, always excepting, of course, the loan works and particularly the Water Works with which Your Excellency has dealt so ably and so exhaustively at an earlier stage of our proceedings this afternoon. I venture to think that the most striking features of the Budget are the introduction of entirely new activities represented by Heads 13.B, Air Services, 33.B Hong Kong Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve, the restoration under Head 12 of one which had been discontinued, viz., the Statistical Branch of the Imports and Exports Department and the attempt which is to be made next year under the experienced direction of my Hon. friend the Director of Medical and Sanitary Services to deal with the too long neglected problems of sanitation, malaria and the prevention of disease generally.

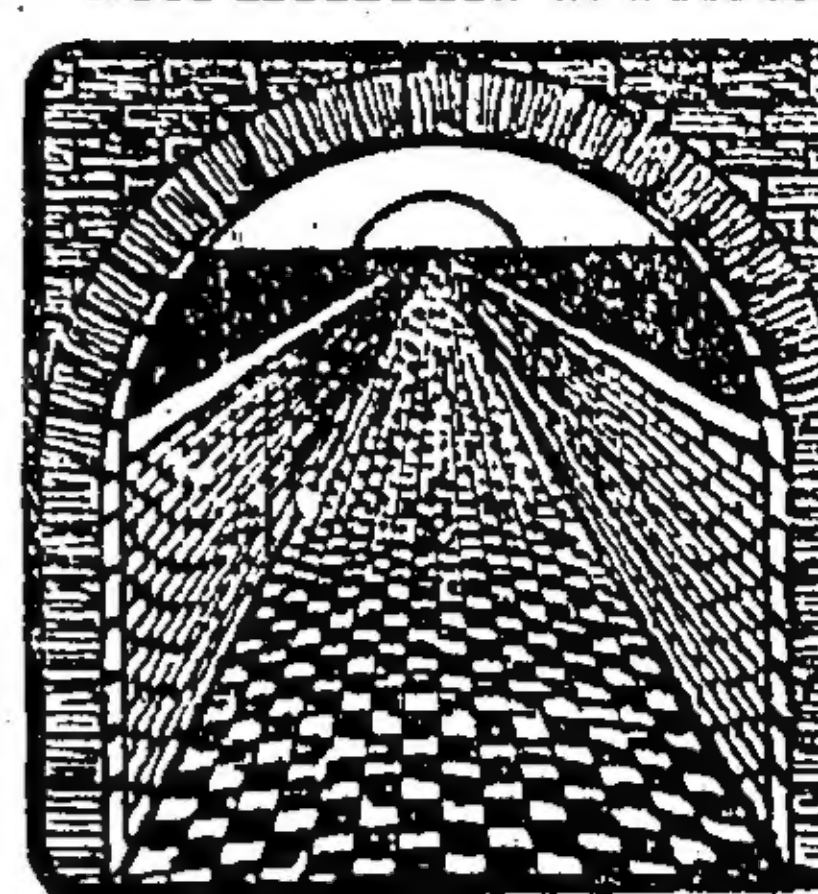
Under Head 6 Hon. Members will notice the inclusion of a new post of Chinese Assistant to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs. The Government considers that the Senior Chinese staff of this very important office requires strengthening by this new post.

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Sambo: "Yassah, who was?"
Rastus: "And logical?"
Sambo: "No, jes' sound."

"I understand that your son is a finished motorist?"
"Yes, he finished the day before yesterday."
"What do you mean?"
"His motor-car caught fire."

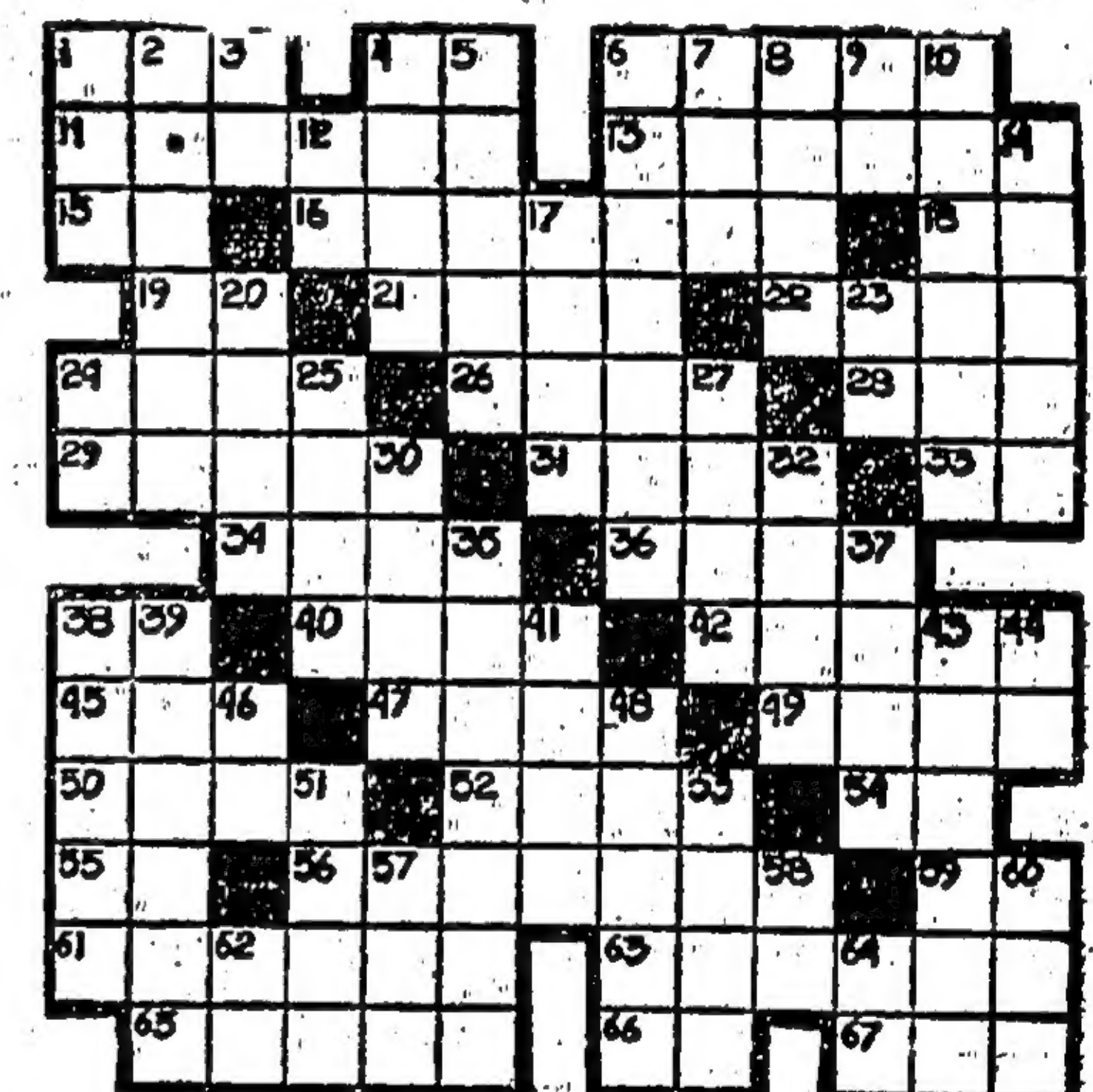
Small Boy: "Father, were you ever married before you married mother?"
Father: "No, son. Why do you ask?"
Small Boy: "'Cos it says here in the Family Bible that you married Anno Domini—1908."

"How can I avoid this popular sun-tan effect?"
"Avoid it!"
"Yes, I'm speaking for my straw hat."

Amateur Gardener: "Ethel! His Wife: "Yes, dear!"
"About this acorn. Where do you think it will give most shade?"

A man who was city-bound on a tramcar was accosted by the conductor as follows:
"Well, sir, I hope you arrived home safe last night."
"Why, of course I got home safe; why shouldn't I?"
"Well, it's like this. While you were in this car late last night a lady got in and you offered her your seat."
"What of that? Whilst I recognise the equality of the sexes, I nevertheless also recognize that the age of civility is still alive."
"Of course, sir, just as you say, but I thought it a little peculiar as only you and the lady were in the tram at the time."

CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



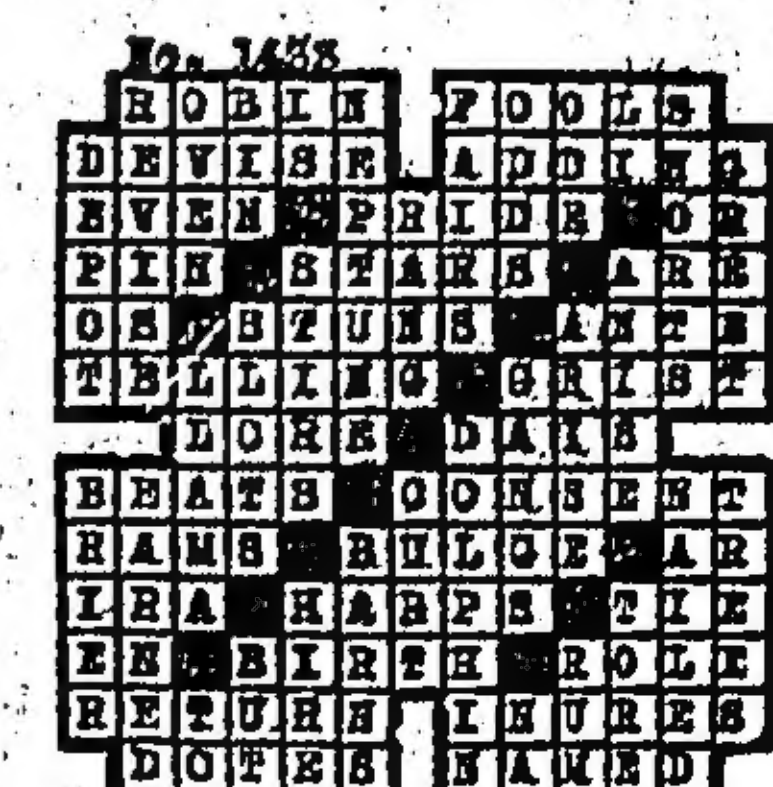
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- 1.—A toy.
- 2.—Supposing that.
- 3.—Heathen.
- 4.—Idle.
- 5.—Cherch.
- 6.—And in Latin.
- 7.—Spanish for tenadays.
- 8.—Sun god.
- 9.—Like.
- 10.—Narrow opening.
- 11.—To pare.
- 12.—Not here.
- 13.—To agitate.
- 14.—One thousand and four.
- 15.—Uncovered.
- 16.—To slight.
- 17.—To perform.
- 18.—Man's name (Biblical).
- 19.—Gold coloured.
- 20.—Toward.
- 21.—To walk tollfully.
- 22.—Scandinavian.
- 23.—A constellation.
- 24.—Stepped.
- 25.—Humorists.
- 26.—To go by.
- 27.—Street railway.
- 28.—Conjunction.
- 29.—Neuter pronoun.
- 30.—Abashed.
- 31.—Part of "to be."
- 32.—Cooking formula.
- 33.—Magician's word.
- 34.—Pertaining to the sun.
- 35.—A compass point.
- 36.—A grain.

- 17.—Drunkards.
- 18.—Japanese liquor.
- 19.—Type measure.
- 20.—Article.
- 21.—Cry of dog.
- 22.—To wreck.
- 23.—Stupid person.
- 24.—A stroke.
- 25.—A boreal gale.
- 26.—Piece for three voices.
- 27.—So. American mammal.
- 28.—Speaks in public.
- 29.—Girl's name.
- 30.—Layers.
- 31.—Plural ending.
- 32.—Wille.
- 33.—Maicens.
- 34.—To travel by ship.
- 35.—Simple.
- 36.—Mineral spring.
- 37.—Prefix: down.
- 38.—Bright saying.
- 39.—Business association (abbr.).
- 40.—Thus.

This puzzle took 19 minutes to solve. See how long it will take you to solve it.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



GOVERNMENT'S WATER SUPPLY POLICY.

RIDER MAIN SYSTEM TO BE ABOLISHED.

H.E. THE GOVERNOR OUTLINES PRESENT POSITION AND FUTURE PLANS.

WHAT THE SHING MUN VALLEY SCHEME WILL MEAN.

At yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.) gave the following review of the Government's water supply policy—both with regard to the Island and Mainland developments. The Government aims at the eventual abolition of the rider main system in favour of meters in all houses.

The schemes now in hand allow expansion up to a supply of 20 million gallons a day.

This Year's Crisis Reviewed.

H.E. The Governor Sir Cecil Clementi said:

Honourable Members of the Legislative Council.—For many months past our principal anxiety has been the very serious water shortage in the Colony, and especially on Hong Kong Island, due to an abnormally low rainfall. This water emergency arose in spite of the fact that all the storage reservoirs of the Colony overflowed in 1928. The last dates in that year when the reservoirs on Hong Kong Island stood at overflow-level were as follows:—Wong-nai-chung 4th June, Pok-fu-lam 5th June, Tytam Byewash 13th June, Tytam 16th June, Tytam-tuk 25th July and Tytam Intermediate 17th November. On the mainland, in 1928, Shek-lai-pui reservoir last stood at over flow-level on the 8th September and Kowloon reservoir on the 24th November. But the rainfall for the second half of 1928 was only 22.80 inches—the lowest ever recorded; and the rainfall from the beginning of this year to the 12th July last, when the drought may be said to have ended, was only 15.76 inches, making a total of 38.56 inches during a period of a little over twelve months. The lowest rainfall ever previously recorded in this Colony for twelve consecutive months was 45.83 inches in 1925. The recent drought was, therefore, much the most severe in the Colony's history and its effect was such that on the 11th July, 1929, when our island reservoirs were at their lowest, the total water storage in Hong Kong was only 150 million gallons, while on the 8th June, 1929, when our mainland reservoirs were at their lowest, the total water storage in Kowloon was only 70 million gallons. This means that the island and mainland reservoirs were so depleted that no more than 7 per cent, and 15 per cent, respectively of their aggregate capacities remained in storage. Since the 12th July last we have fortunately had heavy rains and our anxieties have been somewhat relieved. But it has been brought home to every resident in this Colony in an unmistakable manner that our water problem is the most pressing and the most important of our domestic problems; and it is quite clear to all of us that an adequate solution of this problem is imperative.

After reviewing the water works history of the Colony at length His Excellency continued:—

A bill was introduced in this Council in July, 1923, providing for the laying of rider-mains in areas which were defined as "rider-main districts." This bill was passed into law on the 17th September, 1923. Under its provisions practically the whole of Victoria City below Kennedy Road, Caine Road and High Street, including East Point and Kennedy Town Districts, has been brought within the definition of a rider-main district.

Method of Payment.

The present method of payment for water is as follows. A rate of 2 per cent on the assessed value of all premises both on the island and on the mainland, is charged for water-services. In consideration for the payment of this rate a so-called "free allowance" of water is granted. This "free allowance" is calculated from the number of thousand-gallon units which the 2 per cent rate will pay for at 40 cents a unit. Thus, if the 2 per cent rate on a given house were ten dollars a year, the "free allowance" would be ten dollars divided by 40 cents, i.e. 25 units, i.e. 25,000 gallons a year. If, however, as in the rider-main districts, a house is not metered, the question of "free allowance" does not arise; no charge for excess consumption is made, and the supply is unlimited so long as the amount of water stored in our reservoirs permits, that is to say usually for about six months in a year. During the remaining six months in time of water shortage, houses in the rider-main districts are often restricted to a supply of two hours a day; while, in time of severe drought such as we have recently experienced, the supply even from the rider-mains is shut off and the inhabitants have to draw their water from the street-fountains. In Kowloon there are no rider-mains and all unmetered houses obtain their supplies from the street-fountains. "Excess consumption" in metered premises is

charged for at the following prices per thousand gallons:—

(a) filtered water—	
Hong Kong and Kowloon	75 cts.
Peak District	\$1.00.
Waterboats, Wharves, and Contractors in respect of their building supplies, receive no free allowance and pay a flat rate of	£1.00

(b) unfiltered water—35 cents (Falling \$1.00) with no free allowance. No water rates are imposed in districts supplied with unfiltered water. A higher price is charged in the Peak District, because in that district the use of filtered water from the mains for flushing closets has been permitted. Accounts are rendered quarterly and money does not reach the Treasury until some 4 months after the first day of the quarter brought to account.

Deficiencies of Rider Main System.

Such being the present position as regards water storage and water distribution, it has been brought home to us very clearly during the last twelve months that our storage is inadequate and that in time of drought our system of conserving water is clumsy and inefficient. For we have found the rider-main system to be sadly lacking in flexibility. There are six rider-main districts and, in order that the pressure may suffice to give top floors a supply, the water must be turned on to each district in rotation. Thus a twelve hours' supply in the trunk mains will only give each rider-main district a two hours' supply, and even a two hours' supply often fails to convey water to upper floors in tenement houses, owing to the draw-off by inhabitants on lower floors. Supply from the trunk-mains under a system of universal meterage would be far more satisfactory, as it should enable the Water Authority to reduce the period of supply to six hours or less without thereby inflicting disproportionate hardship on anyone. It is manifest, that our first step should be to build more reservoirs; but unfortunately the configuration of Hong Kong is such that storage possibilities on the island are very limited. There is, however, one additional storage scheme, of which this Council has approved, and which is now being carried out, namely that at Aberdeen.

The Aberdeen Scheme.

The Aberdeen scheme provides for the resumption by Government of the existing storage reservoir with a capacity of 82 million gallons constructed by the Tai Shing Paper Manufacturing Company in the Aberdeen valley. This resumption has already been effected at a cost of \$325,000, of which a sum of \$52,500 has been paid on account, the balance being payable early next year. The Aberdeen scheme further provides for the construction of an additional storage reservoir in this valley, estimated to contain 175 million gallons of water and to cost \$800,000. The ancillary works, including catchwaters, mains, filters, an access road and a pumping station are estimated to cost \$1,277,000.

The whole of this scheme will be financed by loan. It will much facilitate the supply of water to the western end of Victoria City, where improved distribution is most needed, for water from the Aberdeen valley will be piped to the Elliot filter-beds, which are to be augmented by a rapid gravity filtration plant. At present, when Pok-fu-lam reservoir is depleted, it is often difficult to maintain an adequate supply to the Elliot filter-beds from the Bowen Road Conduit.

Six Island Sites.

An exhaustive examination of Hong Kong Island has shown that six such sites exist. But to each of them there are serious objections. Three more storage reservoirs might be built in the Tytam valley, two at a height of 750 feet above sea-level and one actually within the flow of the sea in Tytam harbour. The two former would have capacities of 70 million and 40 million gallons, but they would be inside the existing catchment area of the original Tytam reservoir. They would, therefore, impound no new supplies of water, and in time of drought the water stored in them would merely diminish the storage in Tytam reservoir.

The reservoir site within the flow of the sea would have a capacity of 700 million gallons; but, when investigated in 1904, a rock foundation for the dam was not found until a depth of 65 feet below ordnance datum had been reached. As the site is below sea-level, most difficult and costly coffer-dams would have to be built and the expense of the scheme would be out of proportion to the supply gained. An additional reservoir might be built directly below the existing Pok-fu-lam reservoir. It would have a capacity of 78 million gallons; but its construction would necessitate the resumption of the Hong Kong Dairy Farm and is for this reason undesirable.

Another natural site for a reservoir is the basin on the south side of the island containing the village of Little Hong Kong and bounded on the north by Bennett's Hill and Mount Cameron and on the south by Brick Hill. Two dams would here be necessary, one across Stanton Creek near Aberdeen and the other at the brickworks close to Deep Water Bay. This reservoir would have a capacity of 2,500 million gallons; but its catchment would be small for its size, although the overflows from the Aberdeen and Wong-nai-chung reservoirs could be diverted into it. All water from it would have to be pumped; and, in view of the great length of the dams, the considerable resumptions necessary and the heavy contingent works, the reservoir would be costly. Moreover, in the public interest it is not advisable to submerge this valuable area of flat land, the last such area remaining in Hong Kong Island.

Finally it would be possible to build two additional reservoirs with an aggregate capacity of 114 million gallons in the Tai-koo catchment on the slopes of Mount Butler. But the water rights in the locality are held by Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, whose existing reservoirs Government would have to acquire as a preliminary to further development; and, even if resumption were effected, it seems likely that most of the water procurable would be needed for the Tai-koo Sugar Refinery and Dockyard and that comparatively little could be made available for public use. The examination of these six schemes has, therefore, led my Government to conclude that all six should be postponed until the scheme for providing Hong Kong Island with water from the mainland has been put to the test.

The Shing Mun Scheme.

Construction work upon this scheme, known as the Shengmun scheme, began in 1923. An access road 19 feet in width and 1.92 miles in length from Ts'ui-wan to Pineapple Pass was completed in 1925. In the same year, were also completed the intake dam across the Sheng-mun River above Pineapple Pass, the temporary conduit 0.600 feet in length from this intake to the point where the dam in the Sheng-mun gorge will be built, the North Conduit 2,900 feet in length from this point to the opening of the North Tunnel, and the South Conduit 2,000 feet in length between the North and South Tunnels.

In 1928 the North Tunnel 2,160 feet in length through Snugglers Ridge and the South Tunnel 4,689 feet in length through Golden Hill were completed, and so also was the reservoir with a capacity of 33 million gallons in the lower Shek-lai-pui built to receive raw water delivered through these tunnels. In the following year 150 feet of the North Tunnel were straightened and 3,900 feet of 24" steel main were laid.

This trunk main will bring the Sheng-mun water to Kowloon Point and will have a total length of 24,000 feet with a feed to the Kowloon distribution system at Pipers Hill, where a covered reinforced concrete service reservoir with a capacity of 14 million gallons was completed in 1925.

20 M.G. a Day—Eventually.

Immediately below the reception reservoir in the lower Shek-lai-pui valley is the site of a rapid gravity filtration plant to deal ultimately with 20 million gallons a day. The first section of this plant, capable of filtering five million gallons a day has already been completed and is now in operation. Adjoining these filters, there is under construction a covered, reinforced concrete service reservoir

with a capacity of eleven million gallons. The expenditure incurred on the development of this Sheng-mun scheme up to the 30th June last was \$2,326,490, the whole of which has been charged to the Colony's loan account.

The Harbour Pipe Line.

In order that water from the Sheng-mun scheme may be available on Hong Kong Island, works estimated to cost \$381,602 must still be completed, including the land pipe-line to Kowloon Point, and the pipe-line across the bed of Hong Kong harbour. Of the pipeline on the mainland 20,280 feet have already been completed, leaving 3,300 feet to be laid at Sham-shui-po and 450 feet across the railway terminus.

Eventually there will also be 3,000 feet on Hong Kong Island; but it is not proposed to undertake this section of the land pipe-line until late in next year. Instead a temporary connection with the city mains near Statue Pier will be made in the first instance, in order to expedite the delivery of water from the mainland to the island. The drawings and details of the Harbour pipe-line have been worked out submitted to the Consulting Engineers and approved by them.

The pipes, which are 12" diameter steel mains, are due for delivery in the Colony at the end of this month, and meanwhile dredging operations along the line across the bed of the harbour have been commenced. We now hope that Sheng-mun water may be brought to Hong Kong early in next year by means of this pipeline, which is estimated to be capable of delivering 3 million gallons a day across the harbour.

Kowloon's Increasing Needs.

Here, however, it is necessary to sound a note of caution. The existing waterworks on the island with a total storage of 2,118,414,000 gallons and a total catchment area of 3,275 acres are calculated to have a capacity of 7.25 million gallons a day; but a modest estimate of the full water supply requirements of the island is ten million gallons a day. Thus the estimated supply falls short of the estimated requirements by 2.75 million gallons a day. At first sight it might, therefore, seem that an additional delivery of more than three million gallons a day through the harbour pipe-line would suffice for our present needs.

But two considerations combine to make the outlook less favourable. In the first place, Old Kowloon and New Kowloon are growing at an abnormal rate. Now, including that part of the Sheng-mun scheme already completed, the existing waterworks on the mainland have a total storage of 501,750,000 gallons and a total catchment area of 4,270 acres. Their estimated capacity is five million gallons a day, while a moderate estimate of the full water supply requirements of Old and New Kowloon is 4.18 million gallons a day. There is, therefore, at present only a surplus of 890,000 gallons a day available on the mainland; and in a few years' time, if the population on the northern shores of the harbour continues to increase, this surplus will have vanished. Then again there is a second consideration. The utmost, which the harbour pipe-line now about to be constructed can deliver is 3 million gallons a day. But bitter experience this year has shown us that in time of drought only one million gallons a day flow down the conduit from Sheng-mun valley; and in time of drought it is, therefore, unlikely that much water from Sheng-mun could be made available on Hong Kong Island, unless and until more storage reservoirs have been constructed on the mainland.

Kowloon Byewash Reservoir.

One such reservoir for increasing water storage on the mainland is already under construction, namely the Kowloon Byewash Reservoir. Its site is in the valley immediately below the existing Kowloon reservoir. It has an estimated capacity of 175 million gallons, and it will impound the overflows both from Kowloon reservoir and from the raw water reception reservoir in the lower Shek-lai-pui valley. It requires no contingent works such as filters or pumping plant; and, although not a part of the Sheng-mun scheme, it can be developed economically in connection with that scheme. Its cost is estimated at \$800,000. Its construction was approved by resolution of this Council on the 24th January last.

Further Schemes.

I have now described all the works already sanctioned and actually in progress. But there are further waterworks, which we are anxious to take in hand as soon as the schemes for them have been worked out in detail and estimates of their cost prepared. We hope with as little delay as possible to begin the construction of a dam in the Sheng-mun gorge. Its site has already been located, and it is roughly calculated that the reservoir so formed will impound between 1,000 and 1,500 million gallons according to the height of the dam. I shall be prepared to put this scheme before you, and invite you to approve it as soon as reliable estimates of its cost are available. Moreover, it is possible that further examination of the Sheng-mun valley may indicate the advisability of constructing a second storage reservoir higher up the stream than the site in the gorge; but the best location of the dam

for this second reservoir has not yet been determined. It is also very likely that this Council will be invited before long to approve the construction of catchwaters running along the whole southern face of Tai-mo-shan and discharging through Pineapple Pass into the Sheng-mun gorge reservoir; for it is estimated that an additional catchment area of 2,575 acres would thus be obtained. But the schemes known as the second, third and fourth sections of the Sheng-mun valley waterworks are still in a very rough and inchoate form, though it is safe to predict that in the near future the Hong Kong Government will have to spend about ten million dollars upon waterworks construction additional to that already sanctioned and now in progress. When this has been done, and if the pipeline across the bed of the harbour proves to be a success, the requirements both of Hong Kong Island and of Old and New Kowloon should for a time be adequately supplied.

Use of Salt Water.

The possibility of using salt water for fire fighting, for road watering and for flushing sewers has been carefully investigated. It is computed that the quantity of water used for fire fighting has never in this Colony exceeded one million gallons a year; and the amount used for road watering and cleansing side-channels is estimated as 64 million gallons a year. This demand can be adequately met in years of normal rainfall by the use of water from the nullahs and in times of drought salt water can be used, when necessary, in streets adjacent to the sea. For flushing closets and sewers the majority of buildings now obtain their supplies from wells and nullahs, and at the present time only 28 million gallons a year are drawn from the storage reservoirs for this purpose. The total annual demand for these three services is, therefore, less than 100 million gallons and does not warrant the installation of an elaborate and expensive system of piped sea water laid on throughout the city. But the whole question of the development of our nullah supplies to their utmost capacity is now receiving the attention of the Public Works Department.

A Full Supply to Every House.

The aim of this Government is to give every house connected with the waterworks, both on Hong Kong Island and on the mainland, a full supply of filtered water throughout the year. This should become possible in 1932, when the first section of the Sheng-mun scheme, the Kowloon Byewash reservoir and the new Aberdeen reservoir will, we hope, all have been completed; for the capacity of the existing waterworks on the island, namely 7.25 million gallons a day, will then be increased by 3 million gallons a day from Sheng-mun and 2.12 million gallons a day from Aberdeen. The maximum rate of supply to the island would, therefore, amount to 12.87 million gallons a day for a demand which, according to the estimate of Mr. R. M. Henderson, our Waterworks Engineer, may in that year be as much as 11.6 million gallons a day. When we are thus a little ahead of the daily demand, and not lagging behind the requirements of our population in the matter of water supply, we ought to be able to abolish the rider-mains and give a metered service throughout Victoria City; the cost of water, being paid for in proportion to the amount consumed and at a price commensurate with the Colony's outlay on waterworks.

So I come to the question of waterworks finance. The capital outlay of this Government on waterworks from the date when the first storage scheme at Pok-fu-lam was begun down to the present time is as follows:—

(a) Waterworks on Hong Kong Island:—

1. Pok-fu-lam reservoir and contingent works	\$ 455,260
2. Tytam scheme	1,624,021
3. Wong-nai-chung reservoir, Bowen Road filter and contingent works	350,127
4. West Point filter-beds	37,431
5. Tytam intermediate scheme	1,040,038
6. Tytam-tuk scheme	3,016,049
7. Elliot filter-beds and service reservoir	393,503
8. Pok-fu-lam pumping station	215,331
9. Eastern filter-beds scheme	537,862
10. Workshop and plant	47,909
11. Bowen Road filter-beds conversion	144,590
12. Shau-ki-wan supply	37,399
13. Repulse Bay supply	32,990
14. Distribution work	\$ 758,821
15. Miscellaneous water works and minor extensions to mains	324,023
	\$8,999,010

(b) Waterworks on the mainland:—

1. Original pumping scheme	\$ 125,012
2. Kowloon reservoir and gravitation scheme	1,359,863
3. Shek-lai-pui reservoir	297,598
4. Fan-ling water-supply	44,752
5. Tai-po water-supply	29,175
6. Distribution works	476,087
7. Lai-chi-kok water-bent dock	520,440
8. Miscellaneous waterworks	102,527
9. Sheng Mun waterworks to 30/8/29	2,326,490
	\$5,551,550

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SALARIES COMMISSION REPORT.

SYMPATHETIC RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE UNDER DOG.

PRESENT PERCENTAGE INCREASE TO STERLING SALARIES IS ADEQUATE.

The Report of the Salaries Commission was laid on the table at yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council. The three Commissioners were: Sir Henry Gollan, Sir Shou Son Chow, and Mr. Paul Lander.

The report is of considerable length and great interest to a large section of the community, but pressure on our space—namely "Budget Day" business at the Council prevents more than a brief mention of the recommendations.

The report states inter alia:—

The Commissioners have held 34 meetings and 277 witnesses, representing every class, grade and group of the Government Service were examined by us.

We have also received reports from Heads of Departments, as well as representations from many classes, grades and individuals.

The last general revision of Salaries was made in January, 1919. In accordance with the recommendations of that Commission, salaries at present are fixed in sterling and in dollars; the former in the case of Government employees generally recruited in England, and the latter, in the case of those recruited locally.

We would draw particular attention to the difference between the nominal sterling salary and the salary which is actually drawn by an officer when at his post, and in this connection it seems obvious to us that the basis which allows such a large disparity between the nominal sterling salary and the amount of the salary actually paid requires modification.

We think that the percentage increases already granted fairly represent the total additional expense which Government should be called in to bear, if fair treatment is to be shown to officers on a sterling basis, and that a 15 per cent addition to the existing nominal sterling salaries may properly be regarded as representing a permanent increase in the cost of living in the Colony.

We recommend that the present system of allowing 812 to the pound, plus a varying percentage for the conversion of sterling into dollars, be abandoned and that in its place the following be substituted:—

All sterling salaries of employees of the Government should be increased by 15 per cent, subject to the conditions laid down in paragraph 13, *infra*, and should be paid to them when on duty in Hong Kong on the last day of each month in dollars, Hong Kong Currency at the average opening published demand rate of exchange on London of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, from the 15th of the preceding month to the 15th of the month for which payment is to be made, provided that such average demand rate of exchange on London for the month is 2/6, or less than 2/6, but if the average demand rate of exchange be more than 2/6 the salaries shall be paid in dollars Hong Kong Currency at exchange 2/6.

In addition to the above, we recommend that the Government, at its discretion, continue to pay a High Cost of Living Allowance to officers but not exceeding:—

15 per cent. of the nominal sterling salary of married officers, and 7 1/2 per cent. of the nominal sterling salary of unmarried officers.

Taking exchange at 2/6, for example, and applying the rule strictly, a married officer at present receiving a nominal salary of £1,000 per annum and actually \$1,120 per annum will receive \$1,132.10.0d. per annum or approximately \$1,021.10 per annum. Similarly, an unmarried officer at present receiving a nominal salary of £1,000 per annum and actually \$1,120 per annum will receive \$1,132.10.0d. per annum or approximately \$1,021.10 per annum.

A matter emphasised by many witnesses was the difficulty, if not impossibility, that many married officers have in maintaining themselves, their families and dependents on existing scales of pay. We think that it should be laid down as axiomatic that Government is not called upon, as from the first entry of any person into its service, to provide a salary which is sufficient, not only to keep himself in reasonable comfort, but also to maintain a wife and possibly even parents.

We consider that after six years completed service is a reasonable stage at which an officer might expect that his pay should be sufficient to enable him to lead, in decent comfort, the ordinary domestic married life of his grade in society and we have kept this principle in view in all the recommendations which we have made. Related in some respects to this question of the stage at which male officers should be enabled to marry on their pay, is the difference in the rate of salary paid to male and female employees of Government respectively.

It was urged strongly before us that as women, particularly those serving under the Education Department, are doing the same work as male officers, they should be practically on the same scale of pay.

We have carefully considered the case presented to us on behalf of female employees of Government, but we have come to the conclusion that there are fundamental differences between the position of a male and a female servant of Government.

Adequacy of Existing Scales of Salaries.

We desire to emphasise the claim of employees receiving less than \$30 a month to primary consideration of their position should it be necessary to fix an order of priority.

We think that the lowest wage paid to a labourer in Government employ should be \$12 a month although in most cases we have recommended a commencing wage of \$13 a month.

We have been struck by the importance which labourers on the lowest grades of salary attach to the almost invariable practice of Chinese private employers of giving a bonus at China New Year. We realise that a recommendation that Government should adopt a similar practice savours of heterodoxy. But we are satisfied that if it is possible to give effect to our views on this subject, the concession would be greatly appreciated.

H.E. the Governor's emoluments, though readjustments are recommended, remain the same but the salaries of the Private Secretary and Aide-de-Camp to H.E. are inadequate.

The Cadet Service.

"The Cadet Service of Hong Kong is a small one, the Senior posts to which its members can aspire are not numerous, and a cadet who selects Hong Kong will in the great majority of cases spend his official life there. But we deplore strongly any pecuniary competition with other Colonies to attract candidates to the Cadet Service of Hong Kong. The efforts of Government should, in our opinion, be directed to the provision of a reasonable salary. We recommend, therefore, that the initial salary of an unpassed Cadet should be of \$450 per annum, and a scale of increments up to \$1,400 per annum is suggested.

In Class I, there are at present 5 posts. We recommend that the number be increased to 7. There are 36 cadet officers.

New scales are recommended in both Senior and Junior clerical services and for the later, \$40 a month is recommended as the minimum.

The Director of the Royal Observatory is head of a Scientific department with important duties not only connected with shipping locally but also with international research. We consider the present scale of salary to be inadequate and we recommend that in future the emoluments of the post should be £1,000, rising to £1,200 per annum by £20 annually. For the Chief Assistant we recommend a scale of £800 to £900 and for First Assistant £200 to £300, rising, in both cases, £25 annually.

For the Superintendent we recommend a scale of £700 per annum, rising by £25 annually to £900, and for the Assistant Engineer and Station Officer £450 to £550 by £20 annually. For the Assistant Station Officer we consider a salary of £280 rising to £350 by 5 annual increments of £10 and 2 of £20 to be adequate. The Mechanical Engineer should receive £310, rising by £10 annually to £360, and the Assistant Mechanical Engineer £190 to £240, by £10 annually.

The Chinese Sub-Officers are a special body of men requiring not only a knowledge of English and intelligence generally but also good physique. We consider that a commencing salary of \$100 a month should attract that type of man required and suggest a scale of \$1,200, rising by \$100 annually to \$1,800 per annum. For the Firemen we recommend scales as follows:—

Head Foreman, \$500 to \$600 by \$20 annually.

Foreman, \$380 to \$480 by \$20 annually.

Firemen 1st Class, \$312 to \$360 by \$12 annually.

Firemen 2nd Class, \$252 to \$300 by \$12 annually.

CHINA'S NEW LOAN ISSUE.

\$70,000,000 ASKED FOR.

A GOOD RESPONSE.

(Wah Tsai Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, Sept. 5. Mr. T. V. Soong, the Minister of Finance, plans to issue loan bonds to the value of \$70,000,000, of which \$40,000,000 will be consumed by the banking circles in Shanghai and overseas Chinese, and the rest by various provinces in China.

BERLIN NEGOTIATIONS. SUSPENDED.

(Wah Tsai Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, Sept. 5. The negotiation between the Chinese and Soviet Ministers at Berlin, is suspended for the time being as the former, Mr. Chiang Tso Ping, has proceeded to the Geneva Conference.

It is expected that a further and formal meeting will be held by the middle of the present month.

GEN. LU TI PING'S NEW POST.

(Wah Tsai Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, Sept. 5. General Lu Ti Ping has been appointed Chairman of the Kiangsi Provincial Government to succeed General Chu Pei Teh who has been recently appointed as Chief of Staff of the Government Armies.

SOVIET PLANES ACTIVE.

(Wah Tsai Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, Sept. 5. Two Soviet aeroplanes appeared at Manchuri for hours on Tuesday morning. In the evening, another Soviet aeroplane flew to Jiarin and inspected the Chinese troops with searchlights. It was fired at by the Chinese troops and retired. On the same day, several Soviet aeroplanes were also seen at Suifu.

PRISONERS RELEASED.

(Wah Tsai Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, Sept. 5. The German Consul at Harbin has received a telegram from the Soviet Government, saying that three hundred Chinese residents detained by the authorities in Vladivostok have been released. The Consul told foreign Pressmen that the Russians detained at Harbin are not ill-treated by the Chinese authorities, who have decided to release them in the near future.

BRITONS RELEASED.

18 DAYS IN BANDITS' HANDS.

(THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.)

HARBIN, September 4. After eighteen days in the hands of Manchurian bandits, Mr. E. M. Burton and Mr. I. H. C. Godfrey were released to-day and are reported to be on their way to Harbin. Both of them are English insurance inspectors. Mr. Burton being a member of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire's staff at Harbin, while Mr. Godfrey is attached to the Harbin branch of the Commercial Union. They were captured on August 17 at Kiamuzo, on the Sungari River, 230 miles north-east of Harbin, when they were engaged in the annual inspection of sub-agencies in connection with Manchuria's huge export produce trade.

RADICALS ARRESTED IN TOKYO.

ANTI-CHINESE PLAN FRUSTRATED.

(THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.)

TOKYO, September 5. About ninety alleged radicals were arrested last night whilst assembling, preparatory to demonstrating before the Chinese Legation in connection with the C.E.R. issue. According to reports the arrested men intended to advise the Chinese Minister to urge the Nanking Government to return the Railway to the Soviet immediately, but the Police were forewarned and were able to frustrate the plans of the would-be demonstrators.

BRITISH JUDGES IN PALESTINE.

TO TRY INSTIGATORS OF TROUBLE.

MORE RAIDS REPORTED.

(THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.)

JERUSALEM, September 5. The High Commissioner has enacted an ordinance under which the Courts trying people charged in connection with the recent disturbances will be composed of British judges.

The Commissioner dissipates the impression that the accused are confined to one section only of public offenders.

They will be tried without distinction of race or creed. The Supreme Council has begun to erect a new building immediately above the Wailing Wall, and the Jews have protested. The matter is being considered by the Government.

The Death Roll.

Troops to-day raided two villages, seized and arrested suspects. It is officially stated the casualties in the recent disorders are as follows:

Killed Wounded	
Jews	119 334
Muslims	87 28
Christians	4 33
	210 575

Colonial Office Statement.

(BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.)

RUGBY, September 4. The Colonial Office states that on Monday night a party of mounted Arabs attacked the village of Talpith, two miles south of Jerusalem, which was occupied by British troops.

The attack was repulsed with a loss to the assailants. Our troops, in conjunction with the Palestine Police, have carried out searches at Jaffa, Bethlehem and Jerusalem, 170 arrests being made at the village of Weletin in the neighbourhood of Jerusalem. Sixty individuals, including two important agitators, have been arrested at Beisan.

Rumours continue to indicate that the passage of Arabs is being made into Palestine on the north-eastern frontier. No concerted tribal movement is believed to be taking place, but an isolated marauding band maintains unrest in that area. In Haifa, Gaza, and Jaffa, again, all is reported quiet, and Trans-Jordania tranquil. The whole country is systematically patrolled by aircraft.

INDIAN AIR MAIL.

NEW CONCESSIONS TO PUBLIC.

(THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.)

LONDON, September 5. The Postmaster-General announces that arrangements have been made for the acceptance of late correspondence for the Indian air mail on and from September 7 at the Haymarket post office until 9.25 on Saturday morning. Only unregistered articles will be accepted, and no special charge will be made, beyond the ordinary postage and air fees at present made by the new service.

RELATIONS WITH RUSSIA.

RESUMPTION NOT YET POSSIBLE.

(THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.)

GENEVA, Sept. 5. Mr. Arthur Henderson, interviewed by Reuters, said that the actual resumption of Anglo-Soviet relations was not possible until a report had been made to Parliament. The British Government desired to re-establish relations as soon as possible. "The invitation to the Soviet to send a representative to London to discuss the most expeditious procedure still stands," he added.

Mr. Ramsey MacDonald and M. Briand conferred on whether the time had not arrived for considering the proposals for bringing the League Covenant into line with the Kellogg Pact, which forbids recourse to war as an instrument of national policy. The matter will be discussed with the other Powers shortly.

SERIOUS DROUGHT IN NEW YORK.

PENNSYLVANIA ALSO SUFFERS.

(REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.)

NEW YORK, Sept. 5. New York is suffering from the most serious drought for 35 years, and there is no sign of its breaking. New Yorkers are roasting in a temperature of 94 degrees, which was capped at Lancaster, Pennsylvania, by 103. Many millions of dollars damage has been caused to crops.

SHOCKING AERIAL TRAGEDY.

AMERICAN TRANSPORT CRASHES.

NOT ONE SURVIVOR.

(REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.)

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 5. An unprecedented aerial search is being organised over the wild and rugged country of New Mexico and Arizona for the trans-Continental air transport "City of San Francisco," which disappeared in a terrific storm yesterday, near Grants, New Mexico, with a crew of three and five passengers. A score of rescuing planes are carrying parcels and provisions for the marooned persons if they are found.

Another air mystery was cleared up by the discovery of the body of Major J. P. Wood, the wealthy President of the Transport Company, near the Needles, California. Wood and his mechanic had been missing since September 1. The latter escaped by parachute and spent 24 hours in the desert. He was found alive.

The "City of San Francisco" was found wrecked near Gallup, in New Mexico. All on board were dead. The machine apparently was struck by lightning.

THE NEW SHANGHAI.

MORE FRIENDLY ATMOSPHERE.

(United Press.)

SHANGHAI, August 30. The "Shanghai mind" is growing broader. Gone for ever, from present indications, are the days when it could be said with justice that "Shanghai isn't in China," and when Shanghai residents knew the Chinese only as ricksha coolies and No. 1 boys.

The tide of events has washed away many an old idea in the commercial capital on the Whangpoo within the past few months. By the same token, it has brought a few in.

There is still a good way to go before Shanghai will be a world centre for international good-will and understanding. Perhaps, as some Chinese think, full confidence for the Chinese can come only through fundamental revolution in Shanghai's ancient status as virtually a tiny independent country. But old residents, and visitors who knew the Shanghai of old, profess to see a tremendous alteration already.

English newspapers which formerly restricted themselves solely to the doings of a little group of foreigners here, coupled with cabled and clipped news from abroad—and usually from only one "home" country for the most part—now devote much news to Chinese activities, and even have special Chinese personal columns, as well as more extensive foreign news services.

Chinese and Foreigners. Foreigners who restricted their social contacts to fellow-foreigners as a matter of course, a few short years ago, now cultivate Chinese friends as a matter of course and as sound business policy.

Efforts have been made to comply with the wishes of Chinese taxpayers in the International Settlement, although these have not been notably successful as yet.

Hotels vehemently deny recurrent reports that they have discriminated against Chinese. Foreign clubs continue to exclude Chinese, but it is not a cause for hard feeling because it is realised that the sheer numbers of eligible Chinese render such restriction necessary if the clubs are to remain foreign at all. Occasional cuffings of ricksha pullers may be seen in Shanghai streets, but public opinion is unmistakably opposed to anything which might tend to savour of overbearingness, and particularly anything which might stir up large scale trouble. The lesson of the "May 30 incident" which precipitated nationwide boycotts and disorders, has not been forgotten.

Obligations Under Extra-Territoriality.

A British publisher of a small weekly recently received a thoroughgoing "wiggling" and a sizeable fine, with threat of prison for a second offence, when he was brought before the local British Court for having criticised the Chinese Judge of the Provisional Court. It was pointed out extra-territoriality implies obligation as well as privilege. Recent erection of iron gates on roads leading into the International Settlement has been strongly criticised by the Chinese, and strenuous efforts have been made to show that they have a real defensive function and are not designed to offend Chinese public opinion.

In general, it seems plain that Shanghai has grown sensitive to criticism of the "Shanghai mind," and that New China is finding its reflection in a new Shanghai to some extent at least.

BRIAND WELCOMES NAVAL TALKS.

GERMAN DELEGATES "ELECTRIFIED."

"WAR TAKEN BY THE THROAT."

FRANCE SIGNS OPTIONAL CLAUSE.

(THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.)

LONDON, September 4. The seventeen points mentioned by Mr. Ramsey MacDonald on which a British-American agreement has been reached include:—

Firstly, the whole accord is definitely linked to the Kellogg Pact and will assume naval co-operation, not antagonism.

Secondly, parity will be applicable to every class of vessel.

Thirdly, naval reduction will not merely be limitation.

Fourthly, progressive reduction for a period of years by the non-replacement of obsolete vessels.

Fifthly, the prolongation of the active life of warships.

Sixthly, a fixed total tonnage of destroyers and submarines.

Seventhly, the application of the yardstick to destroyers only.

Eighthly, the relegation of small cruisers to the police class, which will not be computed by the same measurement as large cruisers.

The Times Geneva correspondent, in telegraphing the foregoing declares that the three outstanding points are likely to prove the most difficult as well as the most important. He points out that there is still no indication of how an adequate number of British cruisers can be maintained without an increase in the present American cruisers strength, and the question of restricting battleships to a maximum tonnage below that authorised by Washington is still counted among the unsettled points.

Hard Work Ahead.

WASHINGTON, September 4. It is a significant fact that Mr. Stimson, for the second day in succession following the conference with President Hoover and the naval experts, again emphasised that much hard work was necessary before a British-American agreement could be reached.

M. Briand's Optimism.

GENEVA, September 5. In a speech before the Assembly M. Briand said he was sure that the disarmament negotiations would succeed soon, as an Anglo-American naval agreement had been concluded.

Therefore he was sure that the work of the Preparatory Committee on Disarmament would lead to an agreement, and that an agreement would be reached between the naval Powers.

M. Briand announced that France will sign the Optional Clause.

"War Taken By The Throat." "War has been taken by the throat and pilloried," he added, in the course of his speech, to which the Assembly, upstanding, gave an ovation.

M. Briand began by saying that the League's moral force was incomparable, but in applying that force it could not evade difficulties without damaging its prestige. The Kellogg Pact was part of the League, but a gap remained to be filled. M. Briand then expressed his confidence in the agreement previously reached, and concluded by paying tribute to the Hague Conference as a new contribution to peace, establishing an atmosphere of confidence, which facilitated the settlement of other problems.

"My name is Ita Basboim. I am only three. Please see I get safely to s. Regina sailing from Liverpool."

This was written in Rumanian, German and English on a label tied to the frock of a little personage who boarded the White Star liner, Regina.

Ita, whose mother died when she was a few months old, was going out to her father in Canada, where he is employed on railway construction work. She had been in the care of her grandmother in Bucharest.

When a reporter asked her if her granny had given her the doll she was carrying, she let loose the flood, gates, for at the mention of her absent grandmother little Ita dissolved in tears, and it took all the motherliness of the Regina's matron to repair the damage done.

FATHER'S ORDEAL.

Police Constable Ingram, of Hackney, who has assisted thousands of children to cross the road in safety, told the coroner at a Hackney inquest how he saw his own boy, Rex, aged two and a half years, run over by an omnibus. The boy was walking by his side on the pavement, when suddenly he saw his mother on the opposite side of the road. He darted behind his father's back and ran in front of the omnibus. A verdict of "accidental death" was returned, and the omnibus driver was exonerated.

Sensational!

After a half-hour of platitudes as to the League's work M. Briand electrified his hearers by warmly welcoming the Anglo-American naval conversation.

He said that if such an agreement were possible, which they hoped it was, the Preparatory Commission would be able to convene the Disarmament Conference an early date. He emphasised that a solution of the disarmament question must be political, and not merely practical.

Referring to the Optional Clause, M. Briand said that Mr. MacDonald's announcement was a very great event. France had already signed the clause with reservations, having reference to something which might be regarded as expired, therefore France would not let this Assembly conclude without renewing its signature.

M. Briand concluded with an eloquent appeal to the League to see that the younger generation were not subjected to the poisonous influences of war. He especially urged the women of the world to take up the matter.

CANADA AND "OPTIONAL" CLAUSE.

ADHERENCE PROMISED.

(THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.)

GENEVA, Sept. 4. Senator Dandurand, the principal Canadian delegate to the League of Nations, informed the Assembly on behalf of the Canadian Government to-day that the Dominion of Canada would adhere to the Optional Clause during the present Assembly, following the example of the British Government.

A message from Canberra says that Mr. Bruce informed the House of Representatives that Australia's signature of the Optional Clause would be with a reservation, which it was at present undesirable to discuss.

THE AMERICAN CRUISERS.

PRESIDENT CORRECTS MR. HALE.

(REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 5. It is learned that at the conclusion of President Hoover's conference with naval experts and others at the White House, President Hoover is still hopeful that "an understanding is reachable, under which it would be unnecessary for the United States to construct all the fifteen cruisers called for in the present Naval programme. This shows that Mr. Hale was speaking solely for himself, when speaking as chairman of the Senate Naval Committee, he predicted that all these cruisers would be constructed.

Premier's Envoy in U.S.

Sir Robert Vansittart, Mr. MacDonald's principal private secretary, has arrived and is to interview Mr. Stimson to-day.

THE ST. LEGER.

FINAL ACCEPTANCES.

(THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.)

LONDON, Sept. 5. The St. Leger final acceptances are Cavendo, Pennyconick, Trigo, Hotwood, Bosworth, Totallator, Posterity, Haste Away, Lemon Car, Mr. Jinks, Tom Peartree, Horse, Fens Pertuis, (1), EnGarde, Brienz, Cuttlefish, Deloe.

RIVIERA DEATH MYSTERY.

ENGLISH BUTLER FOUND SHOT.

Mentone.—A sensation was caused here by the mysterious death of James Wareham, aged forty-three, a butler, born at Parkstone, England, who was in charge of the villa of Mrs. Coombe Williams.

Wareham was found shot in a lane leading to the villa. He had been killed by a revolver bullet that entered the lower part of his face and passed upwards through the brain. The revolver, with one empty cartridge, lay near the body, but the ownership of the gun has not been determined.

The police believed at first that it was a case of suicide, but later in the day they discovered a number of clues which do not fit into this theory, and they now suspect foul play.

IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT AND KAI TAK.

DISAPPOINTMENT IN HONG KONG AT £100,000 GRANT.

MORE ABOUT THE SHING MUN SCHEME.

HARBOUR IMPROVEMENTS AND ABERDEEN PROJECT.

At the Legislative Council meeting yesterday, the Colonial Secretary (the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern) moved:

(a) That the Council approved the construction of the works connected with the Shing Mun Valley Water Supply Scheme as set out in Appendix VI. (a), Head 1, Sub-Head 1, of the draft Estimates of expenditure for 1930, at an estimated cost of \$4,133,300.40;

(b) That the Council approved of a sum of \$3,500,000 out of the said sum of \$4,133,300.40 being charged to the Public Works (1927) Loan, and further sanctioned the expenditure of \$9,221,578.42 actually incurred up to the 31st December, 1929, the expenditure of \$1,122,741.19 estimated to be incurred during the financial year 1930 and the expenditure of \$93,849.39 estimated to be incurred during the financial year 1930, which three last mentioned sums amount in all to the aforesaid sum of \$3,500,000;

(c) That the Council approved the expenditure of a further sum of \$379,150.61 on the said Shing Mun Valley Water Supply Scheme during the financial year 1930, which sum shall be met from a further loan and shall meanwhile be charged as an advance from the surplus balances of the Colony.

Expenditure on Loan Works.

In explanation, the Colonial Secretary said that, Hon. Members were aware, the second portion of the Public Works (1927) Loan was raised at the end of last year. Up to that point expenditure on loan works had been somewhat complicated though the various steps had been taken with the full concurrence of the Council.

"We commenced the works out of surplus balances and in 1927 we raised a portion of the loan, financing the works partly from loan, partly from Surplus Balances and partly from contributions from the Wharf & Godown Company and from the Imperial Government," he went on. "On raising the second portion of the loan in 1928 we reimbursed our Surplus Balances and financed the work from Loan Funds and the contributions referred to so far as we could. Now we have reached the stage when, pending the raising of a further loan we are obliged to draw on our Surplus Balances again."

"The question of the size and date of the future loan and of the currency in which it should be issued are at present under consideration."

"The position as it now stands is set out in the Draft Estimates for 1930, and these motions are for the purpose of clarifying the position and of obtaining the Council's formal approval of the allocation of the sums set out in the schedule and in particular the Council's approval of the expenditure of the sums required from Surplus Balances during the current year and during 1930."

"Of the works themselves I think it is hardly necessary for me to speak, for they have all been explained fully to the Council from time to time and have received the Council's approval. The Waterworks with which alone the first resolution is concerned have more-over been fully dealt with by Your Excellency in your address this afternoon."

"It will be seen that we do not require to draw on our Surplus Balance for the Shing Mun Scheme until next year."

Harbour Development.

A further motion by the Colonial Secretary read:

"That this Council approves the expenditure of a sum of \$419,771.20 on Harbour Development as set out in Appendix VI. (a), Head 2, Sub-Head 1, of the draft Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1930 and authorizes this sum to be charged to the Public Works (1927) Loan, and further sanctions the expenditure of this sum of the sum of \$403,729.08 actually incurred to the 31st December, 1929, and of the sum of \$16,041.88 estimated to be incurred in the financial year 1930."

Explaining the motion, Mr. Southern said:

"In reply to motions I might inform the Council that the contemplated Harbour Development is now completed. It consisted as Honourable Members will remember of the dredging of certain areas for the double purpose of improving the Harbour and of providing filling for the Kai Tak reclamation."

The Aerodrome.

The Colonial Secretary then moved:

"(a) That this Council approves the construction of the Kai Tak Aerodrome at an estimated total cost of \$1,689,457, exclusive of contributions from His Majesty's Government, as set out in Appendix VI. (a), Head 2, Sub-Head 2, of the Draft Estimates of Expenditure of the year 1930."

"(b) That this Council authorizes the sum of \$1,689,457 out of the said sum of \$1,689,457 to be charged to the Public Works (1927) Loan and sanctions the expenditure of this sum of \$1,689,457 from loan funds during the financial year 1930."

"(c) That this Council authorizes in respect of this work an advance from the surplus balances of the Colony of the sum of \$75,114.17 in the financial year 1929, of the sum of \$468,000 in the financial year 1930, and of the sum of \$810,300 in the financial year 1930 of which sums \$297,000 is due to be recovered from His Majesty's Government and the balance shall be met from a future loan."

"As regards the Aerodrome," said the Colonial Secretary, "I regret to have to inform the Council that this Government has been unable to persuade the Imperial Government to increase its contribution beyond the £100,000 already promised. The greater part of the cost of the Aerodrome therefore falls to be borne by Colonial Funds and the amount originally provided in the Loan in the expectation of a larger contribution from the Home Government has proved inadequate."

"The completion of the Aerodrome, which will ultimately involve buildings of considerable extent, if air services develop as we expect them to develop, will be a liability on the future loan. Meanwhile, we are completing the reclamation and proceeding cautiously as regards any buildings but, even so, it is necessary to ask for this Council's approval of an expenditure of \$468,000 this year and \$219,500 next year from the surplus balances of the Colony to be reimbursed from a loan to be raised at a future date."

"I might say," he concluded, "that from information received to-day the Government has reason to hope that the Air Ministry will co-operate in building a hangar. Although it will not save this Government any money, it will result in a more satisfactory building at a later date."

Aberdeen Water Scheme.

The Colonial Secretary's final motion of the group was in connection with the Aberdeen Water Scheme and read:

"That with reference to the resolution passed on the 2nd May, 1929, this Council approves the expenditure of a sum of \$1,000,000 during the financial year 1930 on the Aberdeen Water Scheme, the cost to be met from a future loan and meanwhile to be charged as an advance from the surplus balances of the Colony."

"Hon. Members will no doubt remember," he continued, "that on 2nd May last they approved the undertaking of the Aberdeen Water Scheme at an estimated cost of \$2,702,000 and the expenditure of a sum of \$550,000 during the current year."

"The work is in progress and I have now to ask the Council to approve the appropriation of a further sum of \$1,000,000 to continue the work next year. The scheme is well known to all Hon. Members and needs, I think, no further explanation from me."

Amendments passed by the Council, proposed by Sir Henry Pollock and seconded by Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, asked for consideration of all the above motions to be deferred until the next meeting of the Council, which will be held on September 19, in order that unofficial members of the Council would be able to study the details concerned.

WATER SUPPLY POLICY.

H.E. THE GOVERNOR'S STATEMENT.

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 5.)

(c) Waterworks authorized and under construction:—

1. Harbour pipe-line scheme	\$ 361,602
2. Kowloon bye-wash reservoir	600,000
3. Aberdeen scheme	2,702,000
	\$3,663,602

The grand total is, therefore, \$19,214,168. Upon this sum a charge of 2 per cent. per annum for depreciation and maintenance, plus 8 per cent. per annum as interest on capital outlay, would amount to \$1,457,133 per annum. There must be added to this figure the annually recurrent waterworks expenditure of this Government which, neglecting special, storm damage and exclusive of upkeep of office and expenditure met from general votes, was in 1928 as follows:—

Maintenance votes, Hong Kong, island	\$206,434.47
Maintenance votes, mainland	82,037.82
Salaries of staff	131,434.00
	\$419,906.29

On the basis of this calculation a total sum of \$1,907,079 per annum would have to be collected as revenue by the Government, in order to pay for the cost of its waterworks. In point of fact, however, the income of this Government from waterworks during 1928 was as follows:—

2 per cent. rating tax	\$507,673.03
Excess water charges	768,908.60
and meter rents	\$1,276,581.63

Therefore, upon this estimate, our revenue from waterworks is \$631,408 less than it should be. Moreover, I have already said it is safe to predict that the Hong Kong Government will have to spend a further sum of about ten million dollars upon waterworks construction additional to that already sanctioned and now in progress. It is also quite certain that annually recurrent maintenance expenditure both on the island and the mainland will increase and that in future years the salaries of the waterworks staff will cost us more. Assuming then that our total capital outlay on waterworks will before very long amount to \$5 million dollars and that our annually recurrent waterworks expenditure, when that time comes, may be (say) \$750,000, then on the basis above indicated we should have to collect an annual revenue of just three million dollars, in order to make our waterworks, not remunerative, but self-supporting.

Meters to All Houses.

There is another consideration which must be carefully weighed. I have said that it is the aim of the Hong Kong Government to give every house connected with the waterworks, both on the island and on the mainland, a full supply of filtered water throughout the year. But, if this is to be done, it is clearly necessary to take steps to impress upon all householders and residents in the Colony the civic duty of conserving, and not wasting, water. I can think of no better way of doing this than to make all who consume water pay by meter for what they consume. If that is to be our policy, then the so-called "free allowance" would have to be abolished. We should also have to abolish the 2 per cent. water rate; and, of course, the riders. Instead we should require all houses connected with the water-mains to install meters, and the consumers of water to pay for their metered supplies in accordance with a sliding scale, which would be comparatively low for the first few gallons a day, but steadily increase for each gallon thereafter, in order to check excess consumption. It would also be desirable that water accounts should be rendered monthly, and not quarterly as at present. Such a change would, of course, involve a certain amount of extra work both at the Treasury and in the Waterworks Office. But the advantages quite outweigh this objection. With monthly accounts, high consumption is at once forcibly brought to the notice of consumers; the chances of bad debts or fraud are much diminished; and a large sum of money is brought into the Treasury several months earlier than under the quarterly account system.

It is evident, gentlemen, that we ought soon to reconsider both the methods by which we raise our waterworks revenue and also the rates which we charge. But I am reluctant to move in this matter until the waterworks now under construction have advanced to the stage at which we can give Hong Kong island and the mainland a full supply throughout the year, instead of the intermittent supply which has been only too common during recent years. No motion on this subject will, therefore, be brought before you in connection with next year's budget. But it is more than likely that, when the budget for 1931 is under consideration, you will be invited to give the question of waterworks finance your special attention.

"BOBBY" JONES LOSES.

U.S. AMATEUR GOLF SENSATION.

TOLLEY'S PROGRESS.

[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.]

DEL MONTE, California, Sept. 4.

There was a sensation in the opening stages of the U.S. Amateur Golf Championships, played at Del Monte, California, to-day, on Pebble Beach course when Bobby Jones who was predicted as a certain winner, was defeated by the youthful player Johnny Goodman, of Omaha, Nebraska, by 1 up.

Other results were:—Tolley defeated Eddie Held, the Canadian amateur champion, by 7 up, 6 to play.

McKenzie beat Storey (England) at the 20th. Bourne (England) beat C. Hunter at the 19th, and Chandler beat Von Elm, another favourite, 2 up, 1 to play.

In the second round Tolley beat the Culver City player, Coleman, by 8 up and 6 to play.

HOME FOOTBALL.

NEWCASTLE'S BIG WIN.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

LONDON, Sept. 4.

The following are results of matches played in the English League to-day:—

Division I.
Birmingham... 4 West Ham... 2
Derby County... 4 Aston Villa... 0
Grimsby... 1 Portsmouth... 1
Liverpool... 1 Huddersfield... 0
Manchester City... 3 Arsenal... 1
Middlesbrough... 3 Sheffield U... 1
Newcastle U... 5 Blackburn R... 1

Division II.
Bradford City... 5 Notts F... 1
Reading... 3 Wolverhampton... 1

Division III. (South).
Brentford... 3 Clapton... 1
Brighton... 2 Watford... 1
Exeter... 3 Gillingham... 0
Torquay... 3 Plymouth... 4

Division III. (North).
Darlington... 6 Nelson... 1
York... 0 Wrexham... 0

BUDGET DAY.

EVEN SPORTS NOTES "HELD OVER."

Owing to pressure on our space, the lawn bowls and baseball notes and Home football fixtures which usually appear on Friday are held over until to-morrow.

BASEBALL.

GUAM V. PHILLIES.

Owing to uncertain weather conditions the above match originally scheduled for yesterday was postponed. Some members of the Philippine side turned up at the Navy ground and had some practice amongst themselves.

Not to be outdone the Chinese were busy warming up on the football field at Caroline Hill.

MISSING GIRL FOUND.

MISS MASSINA BENEDICTO.

Reported to have been missing for three months, Miss Massina (Neva) Benedicto, aged 15, step-daughter of Capt. Mackechny, master of the s.s. Charles Hardouin, has been found.

Shortly after her disappearance a reward was offered in a notice circulated by the police which gave particulars of the missing girl, whose nationality was given as Portuguese.

The circumstances under which the girl was traced are not divulged.

FOOTBALL.

EXHIBITION MATCHES have been arranged by the CHINESE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION on the 7th and 8th SEPTEMBER, 1929, at 4.30 P.M. at NORTH POINT.

CHINESE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

SOMERSET LIGHT INFANTRY

ON SEPTEMBER 7th, 1929.

CHINESE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

THE COMBINED NAVY

ON SEPTEMBER 8th, 1929.

SUPPLY P.O. KEENAN'S DEATH.

BODY BROUGHT FROM THE WEST RIVER.

FUNERAL AT HAPPY VALLEY CEMETERY.

A casualty on board H.M.S. Cicala, attached to the West River Flotilla, necessitated the vessel making for Hong Kong on Wednesday. The gunboat was at Howlik, on the West River, below Wuchow and near Samshui, when Supply Petty Officer Louis McNamara Keenan passed away from heart failure shortly after 3 a.m. that day.

P.O. Keenan, who was 35 years old and a native of Ireland, came to Hong Kong about two years ago. He was very popular among his shipmates, and he had many friends on the other vessels. Much sympathy will be extended to his mother and other relatives in Ireland.

The vessel arrived in port at about 5 p.m., and the body was conveyed to the Royal Naval Hospital. Naval honours were accorded at the funeral yesterday. The coffin was borne on a gun carriage drawn by men from H.M.S. Seraph, to the Protestant Cemetery, Happy Valley, preceded by a firing party from the same vessel. Officers from the depot ship Tamar, Cicala, and other vessels were present among the large attendance at the graveside, where the Rev. G. H. Hewitt, Naval Chaplain, conducted the service.

Floral Tributes.
Included in the many floral tributes were the following:—Officers, H.M.S. Cicala; Ship's Company, H.M.S. Cicala; Paymasters and Supply Staff, H.M.S. Tamar; Ward Room Officers, H.M.S. Tamar; Ship's Company, H.M.S. Tamar; Officers and Ship's Company, H.M.S. Tarantula; Officers and Ship's Company, H.M.S. Moorhen; Officers and Ship's Company, H.M.S. Seaweed; Chief and Petty Officers, H.M.S. Mith; Ship's Company, H.M.S. Mith; Supply Branch Ratings of the West River Flotilla; Members of the R.A.O.B. and Members of the Oriental Lodge No. 324 R.A.O.B.

INDIAN CONSTABLE

CONVICTED.

ASSAULTING A BOY AND MISCONDUCT.

The case against P.C. Bahadur Khan charged with assaulting a young Chinese and on a further count of misconduct as a police officer, concluded at Central Magistracy yesterday before Mr. E. W. Hamilton.

At the previous day's hearing it was alleged that accused made an improper suggestion to the complainant and later assaulted him. Evidence of this was given by an ayah, and another woman was also called at the resumed hearing. In examination by his solicitor (Mr. Rendall), accused said that he desired to search a parcel which complainant was carrying and that he had to use force when the latter attempted to run away.

His Worship accepted the evidence of the witnesses and convicted the accused on both charges. He was fined \$50 on the first count, \$5 of this to go to complainant as compensation. On the charge of misconduct, he was fined \$250, or three months' hard labour. The conviction means dismissal from the Force.

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DEATH AFTER A FIGHT.

TAILOR'S FOKI CHARGED WITH MANSLAUGHTER.

The Chinese who is charged with manslaughter of a tailor's tout in Jervois Street last month was brought before Mr. E. W. Hamilton yesterday.

Mr. H. Somerset Fitzroy, the Assistant Attorney-General, prosecuted, and the prisoner was un-defended.

Mr. Fitzroy said that on August 10 or 11, the deceased brought a customer to 20, Jervois Street, and obtained certain orders for the shop. A day or so afterwards the defendant brought the same man to the shop and obtained further orders. Some argument ensued as to the commission.

On August 23, the defendant went to the shop and asked for the deceased. The two men argued and then fought, but separated at once when the manager arrived. Shortly after the deceased suddenly lurched forward and fell. The fall was on a smooth floor and there did not appear to be anything which could have caused a serious injury.

According to medical evidence, said Mr. Fitzroy, death was due to concussion.

Dr. A. Cannon, Medical Officer in charge of the Victoria Mortuary, said that death was due to a blow on the head, the secondary causes being concussion and shock.

The nature of a wound on the scalp showed that there must have been impact with a blunt object. The wound could have been caused by striking a wooden stool produced in court. It was possible that the concussion was caused by a blow which left no external trace. There was fatty degeneration of the heart and a man with a heart like that was quite likely to faint and fall.

After evidence had been given by a few Joke from 20, Jervois Street, the hearing was adjourned until Monday at 11 o'clock.

MOTOR CYCLES AT "STAR" FERRY.

MR. J. P. BRAGA'S QUESTIONS.

At yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council, the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, in reply to a question, was informed that no representations had been received by the Government from the Hong Kong Automobile Association, or any other organisation, with regard to the new parking arrangements for motor-cycles near the "Star" Ferry Wharf at Kowloon. He was further informed that the Traffic Department had taken note of certain letters dealing with the subject which had appeared in the local Press.

In reply to questions asking what steps the Government was taking to improve the recent innovation that was causing so much inconvenience to motor-cyclists at Kowloon, and when would any needed improvement be effected, Mr. Braga was informed that the matter is under consideration and, as at present advised, the Government considers that it will be necessary to prohibit the leaving of unattended motor-cars and motor-cycles within the congested area at Tsimshatsui point.

CHINESE STABBED AT SINGAPORE.

REVOLVER SHOTS IN STREET.

Singapore, August 29.—Probably arising out of a secret society feud a dastardly attack was made on a Chinese at Amoy Street, revolvers and daggers being used. The victim was a cigarette stall keeper and was playing his trade when four men came up to him and without any preliminaries one of the assailants drew a dagger and stabbed him in the side.

The man struggled and ran away and three or four shots were fired at him, the bullets fortunately going wide. The assailants scattered and disappeared.

The wounded man was removed to hospital where he is lying in a critical condition. Investigations are being made by the police.

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LILIUS TELLS HIS STORY

TRAVELS FOR PUBLICITY PURPOSES.

"A JOURNALIST OF REPUTE."

Aliko E. Lilius, an American citizen, described as a journalist, was again before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday when charges of obtaining goods by fraud from the Pioneer Silk Store, (Peninsula Hotel branch), Ahmat Din, Tailor, Excelsior Company, booksellers and from the Kowloon Rattanware Co. were preferred against him.

Mr. L. R. Andrews conducted the case for the Crown and Mr. F. C. E. Rendall appeared for the defendant.

Evidence was given yesterday by an assistant of the Excelsior Company and by the Manager of the Kowloon Rattanware Company, both of whom gave details of credit obtained by the defendant from their firms.

Answering Mr. Rendall both the witness stated that they gave the defendant credit because he was a resident of the Peninsula Hotel.

When the prosecution closed their case, Mr. Rendall submitted that he had no case to answer. "We have been listening to the evidence of the prosecution for two and a half hours and we have not heard one single word as to the fraud which defendant is supposed to have perpetrated when he obtained credit," said Mr. Rendall.

Continuing, Mr. Rendall said that if the defendant were allowed to bring charges of fraud against people who did not pay their bills, His Worship's court was going to be full of such cases throughout the year. If a person should go to Macao or Singapore or even back Home intending to come back later, and if he did not settle up all his accounts before going, was such a man liable to be brought back? That was what happened to his client.

Each and every witness for the prosecution said "I gave him credit because he lived at the Peninsula Hotel." Mr. Rendall asked "what was the fraud in that?"

Contributor to English Papers.

Continuing, Mr. Rendall said: "The defendant is a journalist and some of his work is a photograph of more than average ability. He is an author and is connected with the Press Association. His work appears in many English papers, particularly the Illustrated London News and the Daily Mirror. He writes articles which are published in Sweden and other European countries and he writes a good deal for the American press. As your Worship well knows, articles of that nature and photographs have to be sent to the country where they are going to be produced. Defendant has to wait for payment from the agencies to which he sends them and therefore he is not like the man actually settled in Hong Kong who is in receipt of a monthly salary. When he obtained credit there was no fraud about it at all and I submit there is no case to answer."

Mr. Whyte-Smith: "I hold that there is a case to answer. I think the evidence as to what took place at the Peninsula Hotel is important. I think that possibly the fraud in this case was simply that the defendant created an atmosphere of affluence when he went to these tradesmen and presented his card showing his profession and stating that he stayed at the Peninsula Hotel. That was his means of getting credit. That, as you say, was not false pretence but on the other hand he was staying at the Hotel without paying his bill (he did not pay the May, June and July account) and in the end the guarantor paid for him."

Free Passages.

In the witness box, Lilius stated that he was a journalist, author, and photographer for newspapers.

He arrived in Hong Kong from Yokohama on the Taiyo Maru, obtaining a free passage from the N.Y.K. and he held a free return ticket for a boat leaving for Yokohama on September 1. The free passages were for publicity work which defendant undertook.

He stayed at a special rate at the Peninsula Hotel and had arranged with the manager to settle his account as he received money from abroad.

Soon after witness' arrival, a Swedish ship arrived in port. It was named Canton and witness went on board to interview the Captain and to take one or two pictures to show Swedish ships in foreign ports. He saw the Captain who mentioned that if the witness would communicate with the Swedish East Asiatic Company, the latter would give him a trip around the Islands. Witness accordingly wrote to the head office of the Company asking if they wanted any publicity and received a reply through Messrs. Gilman & Company that they were prepared to give him a free passage on the Canton to Colombo. The witness produced the letter. The Canton left Hong Kong at the end of June and returned here on July 8. In the

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BANKRUPTCY OF MR. DODD.

FAILURE ATTRIBUTED TO SPECULATION.

MONEY-LENDERS WILD ACCUSATIONS.

Losses in exchange speculation and loans obtained from money-lenders on heavy interest were the causes given for the failure of Mr. J. V. Dodd, until recently chief interpreter at the Supreme Court, when he appeared in the Bankruptcy Court before the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan) yesterday for his public examination. Liabilities amounted to \$24,000 and assets were \$150.

In reply to the Official Receiver (Mr. E. L. Agassiz), debtor said that the only expectation he had in the future was a sum of \$300 promised by an aunt in England on her death.

Mr. Dodd, who is 36 years of age, proceeded to outline his career. He said he was born in Hong Kong and lived here during the greater part of his life. In 1897 he started an import and export business in Shanghai, which failed and resulted in a composition with his creditors under which he paid 70 per cent. From 1896 to 1904 he carried on business in Canton as commission agent, importer and exporter. This business was discontinued as it did not bring in any profit. Later he worked as a life insurance canvasser, and from 1913 to 1918 was accountant and insurance clerk to a firm in Canton.

More and More in Debt.

In June, 1918, debtor continued, he joined the Taikoo Dock as a timber clerk, his salary being later \$325. At that time he saved a couple of thousand dollars with which money he speculated on the exchange of gold and silver. He lost the money and borrowed from Chinese banks and money-lenders, still carrying on his speculation which resulted in a loss of between \$7,000 and \$8,000. Debtor never speculated in shares or property but only in exchange.

During the past nine years debtor had paid between \$6,000 and \$7,000 in interest. Half of his liabilities represented loans in cash from friendly creditors to whom he had paid about \$1,000 in interest. The notes had to be renewed over and over again and interest added to them.

Dealing with his position as interpreter in the Supreme Court, debtor said that he was earning \$355 a month including house allowance from January 1, this year. He had been paying monthly instalments of \$300 and \$160 interest. Consequently he had to borrow again in order to meet his living expenses.

Debtor agreed with the Official Receiver that but for speculation he would not have had to borrow money.

Creditor's Wild Suggestion.

Questioned by Basant Singh, one of the creditors, as to how he spent the money obtained from him, debtor said that he received the money in dribs and drabs and he used it to pay interest on other loans.

Basant Singh, who had once to be rebuked for making a noise, said that he believed Mr. Dodd was not speaking the truth and he had money concealed somewhere. Pressed for his grounds for making such a statement, he could not furnish any and he had no further questions to ask.

The public examination was then closed.

meantime, witness was working at the Colonial Secretary's Office studying certain matters in connection with important work and frequently travelled between Canton and Macao in connection with the same work.

Mr. Rendall: How many times did you go to Macao?—About five times.

Looking For Pirates.

And each time you have left for Macao you have been allowed to go without let or hindrance?—Absolutely. They knew about it.

Witness said that one of the reasons why he went to Macao was because he wanted certain information regarding pirates. Also, he wanted to write a book on Macao and wanted local colour. The visits to Macao were very expensive and he paid in cash every time.

He told the Court that he obtained about \$700 in May and mentioned the amounts received from each paper among them being the Daily Mirror. A local paper also paid \$70 to witness for some of his work. Witness said that he expected \$1,400 to \$2,000 for the month of June. Sometimes he had to wait for his money.

Witness in the course of further evidence stated that he met, on one of his trips from Macao to Hong Kong, a man who claimed to belong to the Naval Intelligence department who had told him he was to protect witness on his journey. Witness added that this man made reference to certain matters which led him to believe that he was from "inside" as no other man could have had such information.

The hearing was adjourned.

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GOVERNMENT AND CONSIDERATIONS.

At the monthly meeting of the Legislative Council, held yesterday, the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga asked, with reference to Government notification No. 438 of August 23 relating to a Memorial of Re-entry by the Crown on the area known as the "Kowloon Tong Property," what consideration does the Government intend to extend to those subscribers whose houses stand on those lots or any portions of the Kowloon Tong property on which the Government has re-entered in respect of which there are now subsisting certain agreements and which houses are not yet completed through no fault of the subscribers and by whom all monies in respect thereof have been paid to the Kowloon Tong and New Territories Development Co., Ltd.?

The Colonial Secretary replied that the matter is still under consideration.

No Promise Made Yet.

Mr. Braga then asked if it was the intention of the Government to resume those properties without affording the owners thereof facilities to meet their obligations in the Crown land premium and so enable them to obtain their respective Crown leases.

In reply, the Colonial Secretary said that although no promise could now be made that Crown leases will be granted to the subscribers referred to, it is probable that the lots in question will be offered to such subscribers on terms which will include a stipulation that the obligations mentioned be performed.

It is not the intention of the Government to disregard these subscribers, and the Government has already acceded to a request made by certain of them that they should become tenants at will pending the consideration of the matter referred to in the reply to the first question.

WATER FOR HOMUNTIN.

PETITION FROM RESIDENTS.

The Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, pursuant to notice, asked at yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council whether regarding a petition to Government from residents of the Homuntin district for a water-carrying system and the reply from the Honourable the Director of Public Works that, in view of the very heavy expense involved, he was not prepared to make recommendations to Government at the present time, would the Director of Public Works state what is the estimate of cost for laying a suitable and new drainage system with an outfall clear of the Harbour of Refuge?

The Hon. Mr. Creasy, in reply, said that the petition referred to was addressed to the Director of Public Works. The estimated cost of constructing a sewerage system to deal only with the Homuntin district and to discharge north of the Harbour of Refuge is \$50,000.

An Alternative Scheme.

Mr. Braga also asked whether the D.P.W. would consider the feasibility of an alternative scheme whereby sewer connections may be established from Homuntin down Argyle Street continuing thence down one of the new streets ultimately to link up with the existing sewers in Prince Edward Road, thus obviating the undesirable of any sewage emptying into the typhoon refuge.

Mr. Creasy replied that the scheme suggested had already been explored and found impracticable on account of levels.

Mr. Braga was further informed that no scheme for dealing with the Homuntin district alone is found to satisfy engineering and economic condition. This restricted area must await a comprehensive scheme embracing the whole of the Mong Kok Tsui and Yaumatei areas. Such a scheme has already received consideration from the Public Works Department, but it involves large questions of sewage treatment and seems likely to prove very expensive.

The proposals are not yet sufficiently concrete to be submitted to Government and much investigation is still necessary.

ADVICE FOR INVESTORS.

READERS are reminded that inquiries relating to the share market are answered on page 10 every Tuesday by "Kufan." Letters should be sent to this office, and must be accompanied by writer's name and address, not for publication. Letters should be addressed to "Kufan," care of the Editor.

THE BUDGET.

GOVERNMENT'S PROGRESSIVE POLICY.

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Wireless.

Hon. Members will also notice the introduction under Head 11 of special provision for the administrative side of the wireless telegraph service under the control of the Postmaster-General. The technical control will remain in the Public Works Department in the hands of the electrical engineer and due provision for that side of the work will be found under Heads 23, 30 and 37. The administration, however, is naturally one which has close connection with the Postal Service and it has been considered advisable to make definite allocation for this under the Head Post Office at a cost of \$120,708 which consists largely of posts transferred from other departments and from daily paid labour.

Statistical Department to be Restored.

The increase of \$113,000 under Imports and Exports is explained by the cost of establishing the Statistical branch to which I have already referred. The abolition of the Statistical Department has been the subject of acute local controversy and I personally sympathize with those who regard it as a slur on our administration that we do not possess reasonably accurate statistics of the Colony's trade. I am not, however, with those who would take half-measures. If the Government undertakes this work it should do it properly and bring out complete statistics at monthly intervals and as quickly as possible after the end of each month. It is not work which can be done cheaply. It involves recurrent expenditure consisting largely of personal emoluments but the Government feels that the time has come to resume the compilation of Trade Statistics and if possible on a more effective basis than before.

The Harbour.

Under the Harbour Department an increase of \$214,000 is represented in part by a small increase in staff and partly by an increase under special expenditure, of which \$20,200 is in connection with a scheme for the gradual re-arrangement and relaying of commercial moorings throughout the greater part of the Harbour. The present scheme does not make the most economical use of the available space and the time has arrived when the whole scheme of moorings must be re-arranged to provide for the ever increasing size of the shipping using the Harbour. The total scheme is estimated to cost \$152,000 and is to be spread over two years. The sum of \$70,000 is provided for two new launches.

Air Services.

Immediately following the Harbour Department Estimates will be found a new Head 13B Air Services which is under the control of the Harbour Master as Director of Air Services. It will be seen that provision is included for the subsidies without which Commercial Aviation and a Flying Club are impossible. Much public interest has been shown in both of these schemes and I trust that Hon. Members will agree with the Government that money must now be provided for the encouragement of aviation locally if Hong Kong is to take its proper place in the rapidly developing sphere of Air Travel.

Fire Brigade and Police.

Under Head 15 Fire Brigade, will be found provision of a sum of \$150,000 for a motor fire fleet. At present there are only two fire floats and the present provision gives effect to one of the recommendations of the Committee appointed in 1928 to consider suggestions for the improvement of the Fire Fighting Organisation of the Colony, for which it had not hitherto been found possible to provide funds.

The next increase of importance is to be found under Head 23, Police Force. An increase of about \$200,000 is explained in part by an increase in personal emoluments chiefly due to the rapid developments of Kowloon, but the most part by increases under special expenditure under which \$100,000 has been allocated for the provision of a new cruising launch to replace an old one now reaching the end of its serviceable life. I invite Hon. Members' attention to a change in nomenclature which will be found under this Head. No increase in numbers or emoluments is involved but it has been thought advisable with the approval of the Secretary of State to introduce more convenient titles for the supervising officers of the Police Force and a bill to give legal sanction to the change will be introduced at an early date.

Under Head 24 Prisons Department, I would invite attention to the provision of separate staff for the printing shop and for the hospital. The printing work done by the gaoi has been steadily increasing and has been controlled by the

present warder staff. With the provision of new and up to date printing machines it is considered that an actual economy can be effected by the detailing of specially qualified officers for this work and it is hoped that in time the gaoi printing shop will be able to take over practically the entire printing work of the Government.

Medical and Sanitary Services.

On the advice of the Hon. Director of Medical and Sanitary Services provision has been made for a separate gaoi hospital staff who will be specially trained. At the moment the gaoi hospital work is carried out by the existing warder staff under the control of the Gaoi Medical Officer and it is hoped that this long delayed reform will meet with the approval of the Council.

The re-organisation of the Medical Department undertaken by my Hon. friend the Director of Medical and Sanitary Services has necessitated an increase of \$100,000 in the personal emoluments of that department. A Secretary has been provided for to relieve the professional officers of some of the administrative work of the Department but the greater part of the increase is for the purpose of developing the preventive side of the Medical Department's work. It has long been felt that this side of the Department's work has been seriously neglected in the past especially in such matters as rural sanitation and prevention of malaria. It has been found impossible to procure a Malaria Research Officer at the salary offered and an increased salary is inserted for this officer under the title of Malaria Research Officer. The Medical Officers of Health are to be renamed Health Officers with one post of "Senior Health Officer." The salaries have been improved and provision is made for three additional Health Officers as a first step towards the organisation of a complete health service for the Colony.

Provision is also made for a Government Dental Surgeon as it is felt that the time has come when the care of the teeth should be undertaken as part of the normal functions of the Medical Department.

Under Special Expenditure will be found the very considerable sums necessary to bring up to date the equipment of the Electrical Therapy and X-ray branches of the Department, and provision has also been made for a Harbour Dispensary launch whereby the Government hopes to bring medical assistance within easy reach of the large floating population of the Harbour.

Under the Sanitary Department provision has been made to replace the launch S.D.3, which struck a rock and sank in May last, for the replacement of worn out barges and motor lorries and for the continuance of the policy of substituting motor transport for vehicles drawn by man power or by bullocks.

There is an increase in the personal emoluments vote for the Education Department caused by the normal increments, by a slight expansion of activities and by provision for training probationer masters in England owing to the difficulty of attracting trained masters to Hong Kong. It has been found possible to increase the Building Grant vote to \$80,000.

Public Works.

Hon. Members will notice a relatively small increase in the cost of the Public Works Department. Head 20, which in view of the notes provided does not seem to call for special comment from me. The Government has thought it wise to make increased provision under Public Works Recurrent (Head 30) as it is only by efficient maintenance that the Colony can reap the full benefit of its past capital expenditure.

In view of the very full memorandum prepared by my Hon. friend the Director of Public Works I will merely invite the attention of the Hon. Members to the following new works of special interest:—

Sub-head 23—re-alignment of Yee Wo Street \$100,000. This is necessitated by private re-building operations.

Sub-head 24—\$75,000—widening May Road from Tram Station to Conduit Road. This provides much needed motor access on the Mid-levels and constitutes the natural continuation of the road now in preparation from Garden Road to May Road.

Sub-head 42—\$50,000—Part compensation for the existing Royal Naval Canteen. The Canteen has to be removed in pursuance of the scheme settled several years ago for road improvements at Arsenal Street corner.

Sub-head 110—Circular Eastern Road—\$200,000. This provides for the first section of a road from Kowloon via Sai Kung to Shatin which has long been considered necessary for the purpose of opening up a portion of the New Territories which is at present practically inaccessible except by water or on foot. It is hoped to complete the road by sections in future years.

Kowloon-Canton Railway.

Under Kowloon-Canton Railway the large sum of \$330,000 had been provided for eight new passenger coaches. These are required not only to keep pace with our own share of the improving traffic and to enable the older coaches now deteriorating to be kept in a proper state of repair, but also because the Chinese Section is not providing its fair share of coaching stock. Hire is recovered for use on the Chinese Section but the capital expenditure falls wholly on the British Section. It is however necessary to proceed with the work if the traffic requirements are to be met.

Provision is also made for fencing the line from the terminus to the South face of the tunnel for the protection of the public. The erection of permanent shops for the sale of refreshments and small articles at stations in place of the present temporary sheds is a much needed improvement and provision is included for this work.

Hong Kong Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve.

It will be remembered that provision for a Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve was first inserted in the Estimates for 1927 but in view of the financial situation the Secretary of State directed that the scheme should be deferred. It has since been taken up again and there seems every prospect that it can now be successfully started.

Under Miscellaneous Services will be found an item of \$3,000 as a contribution to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children which the Government hopes to see established at an early date.

An item of \$5,000 has been inserted under Charitable Services as a contribution to that very excellent institution, the Tsan Yuk Maternity Hospital.

Government Salaries Commission Report.

Hon. Members will see that the Government has left unallocated a sum of \$1,600,382 from the total sum available for expenditure. Now, Sir, as the Hon. Members are aware a Salaries Commission under the Chairmanship of His Honour the Chief Justice has been engaged for some months in an investigation into the emoluments of the members of the Government Service, from the highest to the lowest. That report reached the Government only a few days ago and has been laid on the table of the Council this afternoon. It has not yet received the full consideration of this Government much less the approval of the Secretary of State and it was therefore not possible to invite Hon. Members to provide in this Budget any sum for carrying out the recommendations of the Commission. But from its knowledge of the public confidence enjoyed by the distinguished members of the Commission the Government has little doubt but that the recommendations of the Commission will be such as to commend themselves to this Council and, subject to such amendments, if any, as may appear necessary to this Government and to the Secretary of State, and to the Secretary of State's covering approval, the Government hopes to be in a position at a later date to invite this Council to make provision from the unallocated funds to which I have already alluded of a sum sufficient to carry out the recommendations of the Commission as from January 1 next. It has not been possible in the time available to work out the figures with any degree of accuracy but a rough estimate seems to show that the additional cost of the recommendations will be in the neighbourhood of \$1,300,000 per annum, which—exchange for salary purposes reckoned at 1/10d, which is the rate adopted for the calculation of other sterling expenditure throughout the Estimates—Should exchange remain at its present rate the additional cost should work out at a considerably lower figure.

Tribute to Secretariat Staff.

Before closing my remarks I should like to express my indebtedness to my staff at the Secretariat and particularly to the Second Assistant Colonial Secretary for their untiring assistance in the preparation of the Budget.

The Government, Sir, relies once more on that whole hearted co-operation which past experience has led it to expect from this Council in all matters affecting the public weal and in now moving the first reading of an Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding twenty-two million and thirty-eight thousand dollars to the public service of the year 1930. I do so with complete confidence that Hon. Members will approach their important duty of scrutinizing the Budget proposals with a full recognition of the Government's and particularly of Your Excellency's single minded devotion to the welfare of this Colony and its people.

Money and Markets

CHARTERED BANK.

INTERIM DIVIDEND.

A telegram received in Hong Kong from the head office in London of the Chartered Bank stated that the directors have declared an interim dividend for the past half-year at the rate of 14 per cent. per annum, free of income-tax.

NEW PENANG LOAN.

\$3,500,000 AT 4 1/2 PER CENT.

Penang, August 23.—The Penang Municipality have decided to float a new eight and a half million dollar loan bearing interest at 4 1/2 per cent. The new loan will be applied for repaying various Government loans amounting to \$6,135,000 and from the balance it is proposed to spend \$240,000 on (Continued on next Column.)

COPPER MARKET.

HEAVY BUYING.

Messrs. Pentreath & Co. yesterday received a cable from Messrs. Rorby Hemelryk & Co., Liverpool, stating that the advance in official American quotations for electrolytic copper has caused heavy buying for forward delivery and "bear" coverings.

water extensions and new roads, \$70,000 on town improvements, \$150,000 on drainage and permanent anti-malarial works, \$200,000 on housing Municipal employees \$130,000 on extensions to markets, \$80,000 on electricity extensions, leaving a balance of \$225,000 not yet allotted. The Commissioners have already discussed the loan and a special meeting for formally passing the resolution will be held—Straits Times.

DAILY SHARE QUOTATIONS.

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.				SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION.			
Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal
				THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5.			
				Banks			
...	...	\$1,230	...	H.K. Banks	...	...	\$1,235
...	...	\$126 1/2	...	Do. (London)	...	...	\$19 1/2
...	...	\$23 1/2	...	Chartered Banks	...	...	\$24 1/2
...	...	\$15 1/2	...	Mercantile Bks. "A"	...	...	\$21 1/2
...	...	\$90 1/2	...	Do. "C"	...	...	\$90
				Insurance			
...	...	\$630	...	Canton Ins.	...	...	\$630
...	...	\$2	...	Underwriters	...	...	\$160
...	...	\$330	...	North China	...	...	\$330
...	...	\$50	...	Union Ins.	...	...	\$50
...	Yangtze Ins.	...	...	...
...	China Fires	...	...	...
...	H.K. Fires	...	...	...
				Shipping			
...	...	\$27 1/2	...	Douglases	...	...	\$27 1/2
...	...	\$25	...	Steamboats	...	...	\$25
...	...	\$70	...	Indos (prof.)	...	...	\$70
...	...	\$22	...	Do. (def.)	...	...	\$22
...	...	100/-	...	Shell Transports	...	...	100/-
...	Water-bouys	...	...	...
				Mining			
...	Benquets	...	...	...
...	...	62 1/2	...	Kailans	...	...	62 1/2
...	...	114	...	Langkats (comb.)	...	...	114
...	...	114 1/2	...	Do. (single)	...	...	114 1/2
...	...	114 1/2	...	Explorations	...	...	114 1/2
...	...	114 1/2	...	Shanghai Loans	...	...	114 1/2
...	Rauhs	...	...	...
...	Troms Mines	...	...	...
				Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.			
...	H.K. & K. Wharves	...	...	...
...	Providents	...	...	...
...	H.K. Docks	...	...	...
...	Shanghai Docks	...	...	...
...	New Engineering	...	...	...
...	Hongkew	...	...	...
				Cotton Mills			
...	Ewos	...	...	...
...	Shai Cotton (old)	...	...	...
...	Do. (new)	...	...	...
...	Zoong Sings	...	...	...
				Lands, Hotels and Buildings			
...	H.K. & S. Hotels	...	...	...
...	H.K. Lands	...	...	...
...	Shanghai Lands	...	...	...
...	H.K. Realty	...	...	...
...	Humphreys	...	...	...
...	Chinese Estates	...	...	...
				Public Utilities			
...	Tramways	...	...	...
...	Peak Trams (old)	...	...	...
...	Do. (new)	...	...	...
...	Star Ferries	...	...	...
...	C. Lights (old)	...	...	...
...	Do. (new)	...	...	...
...	H.K. Electricity	...	...	...
...	Macao	...	...	...
...	Sandakan Lights	...	...	...
...	Telephones	...	...	...
...	China Buses	...	...	...
...	Traction	...	...	...
...	Do. (prof.)	...	...	...
				Industrials			
...	Canton Ices	...	...	...
...	Der A. Wings	...	...	...
...	Amusements	...	...	...
...	Constructions	...	...	...
...	Lane Crawfords	...	...	...
...	Macintochs	...	...	...
...	Nanyang Tobacco
...	Sincere (old)
...	Do. (new)
...	Watsons
...	Wm. Powells
...	B. Ind. G.S. Bonds
...	H.K. Govt. Loan

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Tijssend, J.C.J.L., Sept. 6.
Anking, B. & S., Sept. 8.
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Haining, Douglas, Sept. 10.
Kuanan, Jardine's, Sept. 10.
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ANTWERP.

Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 7.
Philoctetes, B.F., Sept. 17.
Kitsano Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 21.
Asia, Manners, Sept. 23.

AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

Taipei, B. & S., Sept. 17.
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 23.
Calulu, Dodwell's, Sept. 27.
St. Albans, E. & A., Oct. 4.

BALTIC PORTS.

Asia, Manners, Sept. 23.

BALTIMORE.

Myrtlebank, Bank, Sept. 6.
City of Canberra, Bank, Sept. 10.

BANGKOK.

Anking, B. & S., Sept. 8.
Hellas, Thoresen, Sept. 8.
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Hellas, Thoresen, Sept. 13.
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Hirundo, Thoresen, Sept. 22.

BELOWAN DELI.

Van Heutz, J.C.J.L., Sept. 13.
Alster, Melchers, Sept. 13.
Coblenz, Melchers, Sept. 21.

BOMBAY.

Sado Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 11.
Morea, P. & O., Sept. 14.
Tottori Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 27.
Mantua, P. & O., Sept. 28.

BOSTON.

Myrtlebank, Bank, Sept. 6.
Pres. Garfield, Dollar, Sept. 6.
City of Canberra, Bank, Sept. 10.
Royal Prince, Furness, Sept. 10.
Maybashi Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 12.
Tai Yin, Dodwell's, Sept. 12.
Pres. Polk, Dollar, Sept. 22.
Cingalese Prince, Furness, Sept. 24.
Toba Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 29.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, Oct. 6.

BREMER.

Alster, Melchers, Sept. 13.
Coblenz, Melchers, Sept. 21.
Asia, Manners, Sept. 23.

BRINDISI.

Piave, Dodwell's, Sept. 8.
Remo, Dodwell's, Sept. 16.
Duchessa d'Aosta, Dodwell's, Oct. 5.

CALCUTTA.

Penang Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 8.
Kumang, Jardine's, Sept. 13.
Garbata, B.I., Sept. 15.
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Hosang, Jardine's, Sept. 24.

CEBU.

Golden Hind, S.S.S., Sept. 16.
Iowa, S.S.S., Sept. 16.
Tacoma, S.S.S., Sept. 18.

CHEFOO.

Huichow, B. & S., Sept. 15.
Kueichow, B. & S., Sept. 25.

COLOMBO.

Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 7.
Piave, Dodwell's, Sept. 7.
Pres. Garfield, Dollar, Sept. 8.
D'Artagnan, M.M., Sept. 10.
Sado Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 11.
Alster, Melchers, Sept. 13.
Morea, P. & O., Sept. 14.
Remo, Dodwell's, Sept. 16.
Eugenland, J.C.J.L., Sept. 21.
Coblenz, Melchers, Sept. 21.
Kitsano Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 21.
Pres. Polk, Dollar, Sept. 22.
Sphinx, M.M., Sept. 24.
Tottori Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 27.
Mantua, P. & O., Sept. 28.
Duchessa d'Aosta, Dodwell's, Oct. 5.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, Oct. 6.

COPENHAGEN.

Agra, Gilman's, Sept. 7.
Asia, Manners, Sept. 23.

DALNY.

Franken, Melchers, Sept. 9.
Kikiang, B. & S., Sept. 11.
Caucasus, B.F., Sept. 12.
Vogland, J.C.J.L., Sept. 13.
Bloomfontein, Bank, Sept. 13.
Aeneas, B.F., Sept. 23.
Fulda, Melchers, Sept. 24.

DUTCH PORTS.

Agra, Gilman's, Sept. 7.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 7.
City of Bedford, Bank, Sept. 9.
Alster, Melchers, Sept. 13.
Philoctetes, B.F., Sept. 17.
Eugenland, J.C.J.L., Sept. 21.
Coblenz, Melchers, Sept. 21.
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Asia, Manners, Sept. 23.
Glenapp, Jardine's, Oct. 2.

FOOCHOW.

Haiching, Douglas, Sept. 6.
Haining, Douglas, Sept. 10.
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GENOA.

Pres. Garfield, Dollar, Sept. 6.
Protestant, B.F., Sept. 14.
Lyons Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 20.
Burgeland, J.C.J.L., Sept. 21.
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Pres. Polk, Dollar, Sept. 22.
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GLASGOW.

City of Bedford, Bank, Sept. 9.
Protestant, B.F., Sept. 14.
Memnon, B.F., Sept. 18.
Hector, B.F., Oct. 2.

GREENBURG.

Agra, Gilman's, Sept. 7.
Asia, Manners, Sept. 23.

HAIPHONG AND HOIHOW.

Kwangtung, B. & S., Sept. 8.
Canton, M.M., Sept. 9.
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HAMBURG.

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HAYE.

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HONOLULU.

Shinyo Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 18.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 24.
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ILOILO.

Golden Hind, S.S.S., Sept. 16.
Iowa, S.S.S., Sept. 18.
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JAPAN PORTS.

Nagasaki, P. & O., Sept. 6.
Preussen, J.C.J.L., Sept. 10.
Oana, B.F., Sept. 8.
Franken, Melchers, Sept. 9.
Shidzuka Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 9.
Angers, M.M., Sept. 10.
Equilino, Dodwell's, Sept. 10.
Kutsang, Jardine's, Sept. 10.
Sphinx, M.M., Sept. 10.
St. Albans, E. & A., Sept. 10.
Tai Yin, Dodwell's, Sept. 12.
Tousser, B.F., Sept. 12.
Africa, Manners, Sept. 13.
Mantua, P. & O., Sept. 13.
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 16.
Ceylon Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 17.
Mitsuzora, P. & O., Sept. 17.
Pres. Taft, Dollar, Sept. 17.
Shinyo Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 18.
Glenluce, Jardine's, Sept. 18.
Nicholas, B.F., Sept. 18.
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Aki Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 20.
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General Metzing, M.M., Sept. 24.
Fulda, Melchers, Sept. 24.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 24.
Africa, Manners, Sept. 25.
Emp. of France, C.P.S., Sept. 25.
Talamia, B.I., Sept. 26.
Duisburg, J.C.J.L., Sept. 27.
Kalyan, P. & O., Sept. 27.
Nellore, P. & O., Sept. 27.
Carnarvonshire, Jardine's, Sept. 28.
Atreus, B.F., Sept. 28.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., Oct. 1.
Rosandra, D.Well's, Oct. 1.
Yuenang, Jardine's, Oct. 1.
Formosa, Gilman's, Oct. 2.

JAVAN PORTS.

Tjikarang, J.C.J.L., Sept. 7.
Tijssend, J.C.J.L., Sept. 10.
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Tijssend, J.C.J.L., Sept. 24.

LIVERPOOL.

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LOS ANGELES.

Golden Hind, S.S.S., Sept. 7.
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Tai Yin, Dodwell's, Sept. 12.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 24.
Pres. McKinley, A.M.L., Sept. 24.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, Oct. 2.

MANILA.

Pres. Garfield, Dollar, Sept. 6.
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MARSEILLES.

Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 7.
Pres. Garfield, Dollar, Sept. 6.
D'Artagnan, M.M., Sept. 10.
Morea, P. & O., Sept. 14.
Alster, Melchers, Sept. 13.
Lyons Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 20.
Kitsano Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 21.
Pres. Polk, Dollar, Sept. 22.
Sphinx, M.M., Sept. 24.
Mantua, P. & O., Sept. 28.
Hector, B.F., Oct. 2.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, Oct. 6.

NAPLES.

Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 7.
Pres. Garfield, Dollar, Sept. 6.
Kitsano Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 21.
Pres. Polk, Dollar, Sept. 22.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, Oct. 6.

NEWORHWANG.

Cheongshing, Jardine's, Sept. 6.
Kikiang, B. & S., Sept. 11.
Chipsing, Jardine's, Sept. 24.

NEW YORK, BOSTON, etc.

Myrtlebank, Bank, Sept. 6.
Pres. Garfield, Dollar, Sept. 6.
City of Canberra, Bank, Sept. 10.
Royal Prince, Furness, Sept. 10.
Maybashi Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 12.
Tai Yin, Dodwell's, Sept. 12.
Pres. Polk, Dollar, Sept. 22.
Cingalese Prince, Furness, Sept. 24.
Toba Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 29.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, Oct. 6.

NORTH CHINA.

Preussen, J.C.J.L., Sept. 10.
Franken, Melchers, Sept. 9.
Africa, Manners, Sept. 13.
Vogland, J.C.J.L., Sept. 13.
Fulda, Melchers, Sept. 24.
Main, Melchers, Oct. 5.

OSLO.

Alster, Melchers, Sept. 13.
Asia, Manners, Sept. 23.

PANAMA.

Maybashi Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 12.
Tai Yin, Dodwell's, Sept. 12.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 24.
Toba Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 29.

PENANG.

Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 7.
Penang Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 8.
Pres. Garfield, Dollar, Sept. 8.
Sado Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 11.
Van Heutz, J.C.J.L., Sept. 13.
Kumang, Jardine's, Sept. 13.
Morea, P. & O., Sept. 14.
Garbata, B.I., Sept. 15.
Muroan Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 16.
Kitsano Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 21.
Pres. Polk, Dollar, Sept. 22.
Hosang, Jardine's, Sept. 24.
Tottori Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 27.
Mantua, P. & O., Sept. 28.
Glenapp, Jardine's, Oct. 2.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, Oct. 6.

PORTLAND.

Caucasus, B.F., Sept. 12.
Pennsylvania, S.S.S., Sept. 20.

RAEUL.

Bremerbank, Melchers, Sept. 10.
Calulu, Dodwell's, Sept. 27.

RANGOON.

Penang Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 8.
Muroan Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 16.
Garbata, B.I., Sept. 17.

SAIGON.

D'Artagnan, M.M., Sept. 10.
Sphinx, M.M., Sept. 24.

SANDAKAN.

Hinsang, Jardine's, Sept. 6.
Mausang, Jardine's, Sept. 16.
Calulu, Dodwell's, Sept. 27.
St. Albans, E. & A., Oct. 4.

SAN FRANCISCO.

Golden Hind, S.S.S., Sept. 7.
Pres. Jackson, A.M.L., Sept. 10.
Tai Yin, Dodwell's, Sept. 12.
Everett, S.S.S., Sept. 13.
Shinyo Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 18.
Pennsylvania, S.S.S., Sept. 20.
Pres. McKinley, A.M.L., Sept. 24.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, Oct. 2.

SCANDINAVIAN PORTS.

Agra, Gilman's, Sept. 7.
Asia, Manners, Sept. 23.

SEATTLE.

Shidzuka Maru, N.Y.K., Sept. 9.
Caucasus, B.F., Sept. 12.
Everett, S.S

POST OFFICE NOTICE.

An Airmail for London will be closed at 5 p.m. on Friday, 6th September and fortnightly thereafter during the discontinuance of the Siberia route. A saving of six days in transit is usually effected (as against the Marseilles route) but no guarantee can be given that connections will be made. Letters must be posted over the counter of the General Post Office and must be superscribed "Airmail" and fully prepaid at the rate of 10 cents per half ounce in addition to the usual postage for letters. No insurance will be available but letters may be registered.

INWARD MAILS.

FROM	PER	DATE
JAPAN...	Hawaii Maru	6th Sept.
JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Hakusan Maru	8th Sept.
SHANGHAI & SWATOW	Sunring	7th Sept.
U.S.A. (San Francisco, 9th Aug.)	Pres. Garfield	7th Sept.
HONOLULU, JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Pres. Garfield	7th Sept.
EUROPE via NEGAPPA (Letters and Papers, London, 9th Aug.)	Pres. Garfield	7th Sept.
Manila	Pres. Jackson	8th Sept.
London (parcels only 1st Aug.) & STRAITS	Pres. Jackson	8th Sept.
U.S.A. (San Francisco, 15th Aug.)	Pres. Jackson	8th Sept.
HONOLULU, JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Pres. Jackson	8th Sept.
AUSTRALIA & MANILA	Pres. Jackson	8th Sept.
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SHANGHAI	Pres. Jackson	8th Sept.
JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Pres. Jackson	8th Sept.
SWATOW	Pres. Jackson	8th Sept.
JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Pres. Jackson	8th Sept.
CANADA (Victoria, B.O. 9th Aug.)	Pres. Jackson	8th Sept.
U.S.A., JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Pres. Jackson	8th Sept.

OUTWARD MAILS.

REGISTERED and PARCEL MAILS are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

FOR	PER	DATE & TIME
Saigon	Tai Fook Sing	Friday, 9th, 10.30 a.m.
Amoy	Tai Fook Sing	Friday, 9th, 10.30 a.m.
Manila	Tai Fook Sing	Friday, 9th, 10.30 a.m.
Wei Hai Wei	Tai Fook Sing	Friday, 9th, 10.30 a.m.
Amoy and Foochow via Swatow	Tai Fook Sing	Friday, 9th, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow	Tai Fook Sing	Friday, 9th, 10.30 a.m.
Hankow & Peking	Tai Fook Sing	Friday, 9th, 10.30 a.m.
Formosa	Tai Fook Sing	Friday, 9th, 10.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 6th Oct.	Hakusan Maru	Friday, 9th, 10.30 a.m.
Saigon & South Africa	Hakusan Maru	Friday, 9th, 10.30 a.m.
Batavia	Hakusan Maru	Friday, 9th, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow	Hakusan Maru	Friday, 9th, 10.30 a.m.
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Manila	Hakusan Maru	Friday, 9th, 10.30 a.m.
Hankow	Hakusan Maru	Friday, 9th, 10.30 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Hakusan Maru	Friday, 9th, 10.30 a.m.
Amoy	Hakusan Maru	Friday, 9th, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Hakusan Maru	Friday, 9th, 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai	Hakusan Maru	Friday, 9th, 10.30 a.m.
Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 12th Oct.	Hakusan Maru	Friday, 9th, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hakusan Maru	Friday, 9th, 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai & Japan	Hakusan Maru	Friday, 9th, 10.30 a.m.

* Super-subscribed correspondence only.

HONG KONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Authorized Capital\$30,000,000
Issued & Fully Paid-up.....\$30,000,000
Reserve Funds:—
Sterling25,000,000
Silver\$14,000,000

Reserve Liability of Proprietors\$30,000,000

Head Office: Hong Kong.

Board of Directors:
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Calcutta, Kowloon
Canton, Kowloon
Chefoo, Shanghai
Colombo, Singapore
Dairen, Lyons
Fookchow, Malacca
Haiphong, Manila
Hankow, Mukden
Harbin, Nanking
Hongkong, Peking
Yokohama

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened in LOCAL CURRENCY and FIXED DEPOSITS received for one year or shorter periods in Local CURRENCY and STERLING on terms on which will be quoted on application.
Hong Kong, 17th Apr., 1929. [28]

HONG KONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

For the HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
A. C. HYNES,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 13th Sept., 1927. [3]

EQUITABLE EASTERN BANKING CORPORATION.

CAPITAL, SURPLUS AND UNDIVIDED PROFITS
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HEAD OFFICE:
37, WALL STREET,
NEW YORK.

An American Bank offering complete Foreign Banking Service in the principal Markets of the world.

Interest Allowed on all Deposits Rates on Application.
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BANKERS
Established 1857

HONG KONG OFFICE: 11, QUEEN'S ROAD, CENTRAL.

Authorized Capital.....Gldrs. 150,000,000.
Paid-Up Capital.....Gldrs. 80,000,000.
Reserve Fund.....Gldrs. 40,000,000.
(\$3,333,333.)

Head Office:—Amsterdam.
Eastern Head Office:—Batavia.
BRANCHES:—Amoy, Bangkok, Canton, Cebu, Hong Kong, Kanton, Kowloon, London, Lyons, Manila, Peking, Rangoon, Singapore, Swatow, Tientsin, Yokohama.

London Bankers:—
National Provincial Bank, Ltd.

Correspondents all over the world.
Banking Business of every description transacted.

P. M. ELBERG,
Manager.
Hong Kong, 27th May, 1929. [34]

THE BANK OF CANTON, LTD.

Head Office: Hong Kong.
Mong Koo Currency.

Authorized Capital.....\$11,000,000.
Paid-Up Capital.....8,664,200
Reserve Fund.....860,000

Branches:—
Canton, Shanghai, Hankow, Swatow, Bangkok, New York and San Francisco.

London Bankers:—
THE LLOYDS BANK, LTD.
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In all Principal Cities of the World.
Foreign Exchange and Banking Business of every description transacted.

Safe Deposit Boxes (various sizes) at a Yearly Rental of from \$5 to \$40.
LOOK POONG SHAN,
Manager.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

Head Office: LONDON.

Paid-up Capital.....£3,000,000
Reserve Fund.....£4,000,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors.....£3,000,000

AGENCIES & BRANCHES:

ALOR STAR, BANGKOK, BATAVIA, BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, CANTON, CANNING, CEYLON, CHONGKING, HANKOW, HONGKONG, KANTON, KOWLOON, LONDON, LYONS, MANILA, Peking, Rangoon, Singapore, Swatow, Tientsin, Yokohama.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking Business transacted.
CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for one year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

A. H. FERGUSON,
Manager.
Hong Kong, 9th Jan., 1929. [30]

BANQUE FRANCO-CHINOISE

COMMERCE ET INDUSTRIE
(Incorporated in France).
Princes Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hong Kong.

Head Office:
74, Rue St. Lazare, Paris.
Capital, fully paid-up... 50,000,000
Special Working Capital 50,000,000
Reserves.....22,319,000

BRANCHES:—
Paris, Lyons, Marseilles, Saigon, Haiphong, Hanoi, Pnom Penh, Bangkok, Shanghai, Tientsin.

BANKERS:—
France: Société Générale, Banque Nationale de Crédit, Banque de Paris et des Pays Bas.
London: Midland Bank, Ltd.
New York: American Exchange, Irving Trust Co., Banca Commerciale Italiana.
San Francisco: Bank of Italy.

Every description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted. Correspondents throughout the World.

A. ROLLIN,
Manager.
Hong Kong, 1st July, 1929.

THE MERCHANTS BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE:—
15, Gracechurch Street, London, E.C. 3.

Authorized Capital.....£3,000,000
Subscribed Capital.....£1,500,000
Paid-up Capital.....£1,000,000
Reserve Fund and Res.£1,512,047

BANKERS:—
THE BANK OF ENGLAND and MIDLAND BANK, LTD.

BRANCHES:—
Bangkok, Kandy, Penang, Batavia, Kanchi, Port Louis, Calcutta, Koda Bharu (Mauritius), Colombo, Kuala Lumpur, Shanghai, Delhi, Kanton, Singapore, Hong Kong, Madras, Swatow, Rangoon, Howrah, Sourabaya.

HONG KONG BRANCHES:—
Every description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted. Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits at Rates that may be ascertained on application.

C. L. C. SANDES, Manager.
7, Queen's Road Central.
Hong Kong, 12th April, 1929. [29]

THE BANK OF CHINA.

行銀國中
(Special authorized by Presidential Mandate of the Republic of China on the 22nd of November, 1917.)

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL.....\$30,000,000.00
PAID-UP CAPITAL.....19,780,200.00
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Every description of Banking Business transacted. Loans granted on Approved Securities. Special facilities for domestic exchange.

SHOU J. CHEN,
Manager.
Hong Kong, 29th June, 1927. [23]

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Paid-up Capital... Frs. 63,400,000.00
Reserve Fund..... Frs. 102,000,000.00

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IN FRANCE: Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris; Crédit Lyonnais; Banque de Paris et des Pays-Bas; Crédit Industriel et Commercial; Société Générale.

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IN NEW YORK: J. P. Morgan & Co.; French-American Bank; Trust Co. of New York.

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A. LECOT,
Manager.
Hong Kong, 2nd May, 1929. [32]

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